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Bunting, banners and flags for the Olympics

A MAJOR grant is pending to help "dress" Weymouth and Portland for the Olympic sailing events in 2012.

The grant, which is expected to come from the Government's Olympic fund, will allow banners, bunting and flags to be put up along the seafront and for decorative banners to be put up along Portland beach road and other areas.

Details of the Olympic decoration were given by Weymouth and Portland regeneration head Simon Williams during his presentation on the sailing events to Weymouth Civic Society.

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He said the Weymouth area normally accommodated about 30,000 summer visitors but plans were being made for double this during Olympic year.

Measures included extra trains and five park and ride sites with scheduling planned to allow proper crowd control.

There would also be extra buses and extra waste collection points and waste runs, new toilets at the Pier bandstand and extra temporary toilets to meet demand.

Elsewhere £2.5 million

was being invested on Weymouth seafront via support from groups including the Arts Council and English Heritage while Weymouth and Portland hoped to attract some of the "phenomenal" number of overseas visitors expected in London.

There would be a live beach screen and stage with commentary for people to follow the sailing events as they happened and it is hoped that there will also be a festival village on the Pavilion car park with local and inter-

national food and Jurassic displays.

It was confirmed that the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games was holding talks with the civic society about the use of the Nothe Fort as a ticketed venue from which to watch the sailing.

Acting chairman Terry Landsbert said they would be seeking a "substantial consideration" from LOCOG to offset loss of fort revenue.

During a question and answer session Mr Williams revealed that Olympic medal presentations would held at the sailing academy – an area closed to the general public – because of the need for security and for testing competitors for drugs.

Some members asked about access to Portland during the Olympics and Mr Williams said there would be no road closures and no permits.

He also said authorities

would be keeping a close watch to combat "ambush marketing" where rogue traders might try to sell food or fake Olympic merchandise.

He revealed that LOCOG would shortly be selecting 100,000 volunteers to help with the Olympics from 300,000 people who had put their names forward, adding that Weymouth and Portland would soon be launching efforts to find 750 local volunteers.

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FELICITY Perkin, is looking forward to a busy year ahead after a successful first three months at Felicity's Farm Shop in Morecombelake.

Having previously run stalls at various garden shows and the Dorset Garden Party shop in Charmouth, Felicity opened the doors to Felicity's Farm Shop last November.

The shop breathed new life into the former Frodshams garage building, which had stood empty for a number of years.

Felicity decided it was "now or never" after the death of two close family members and so, with the help of sister Penny and son Tom, she opened the farm shop.

Felicity had previously spent 20 years working as a Nurse Practitioner for Dr Becker's Medical Centre in Charmouth.

The farm shop stocks local produce as well as offering garden accessories, a range of plants and herbs, animal feed and fuel for home fires.

The shop also offers a take away service, named "The Filling Station", providing hot food and daily specials made with local produce.

■ WHAT has the reaction been like since you opened?

It's been very positive. Everybody has been absolutely great, really encouraging. Loads of people have been up to see us and they have been really nice. We've had lots of suggestions about what we could do or what we might think of stocking, which we have tried to accommodate as much as we can. We need to know what people want and we are quite happy to get it.

■ WHAT are your plans at the shop this year?

We are hoping that it's going to get bigger and better. We have got some frozen food arriving this week and we are hoping that the take away will really start to produce lots more. We are also hoping that everyone will be able to sit outside once the weather improves. There are eight pallets of compost arriving this week and pots and seeds and all sorts of things so lots more gardening stuff, which I know a lot more about. We are hoping to embark on all sorts of things.

■ HAS running your own farm shop always been the dream?

I've been a nurse for nearly 30 years and then for the last few years things have been a bit tricky. My elderly mum, who lived with me, died and then that same year my older sister died, she was only 56, and that was horrible. My son Harry was diagnosed with type one diabetes so he has to take insulin every single day. So having to deal with all that at home and then having to go to the surgery was



a bit difficult. Penny and I were always going to have a tearoom one day with roses round the door so we thought we'd better hurry up and do it before it was too late.

■ IS running this building a lot different to the Dorset Garden Party?

This is absolutely huge, it's really very scary. It's a huge building to fill, I'm responsible for an awful lot of staff and I know the horticulture bit but the food is completely new. I know vaguely about farming and I know an awful lot about growing things but it's very different. It's a challenge but I'm enjoying it.

■ HAS the harsh winter affected you?

It's difficult, we opened on November 10th, which was

a beautiful day and I think we had the most horrendous gales after that and we suddenly realised that some of our plans for maybe a bit of a pergola or something were just not going to work. It was so cold and everybody was absolutely brilliant, the staff and the customers, because it really was horrid and I can't afford to heat the place properly. They all put on tonnes of clothes and just got on with it, it was brilliant. I think we became a municipal car park for all of Ryall and all the people who'd come on holiday and were staying in the National Trust cottages parked here so that was nice. I think it probably helped us in terms of sales of logs and coal and potatoes and stewing steak that sort of thing. Christmas was lovely and lots of people ordered a turkey from us. We'd only been open for a few weeks and they entrusted us with their Christmas lunch and it was really kind, we are very grateful for that.

■ DO you think people are pleased to see this building back in use?

I think so, from the feedback I get. It's a very unprepossessing building from the outside and they come in and think 'wow' and they say I remember coming here for an MOT. Everybody remembers it and I think everybody is very pleased to see it back in use.

■ WHAT was the last book you read, film you watched and CD you listened to?

I used to read all the time and in the last few years I don't think I've had time to read a book. My favourite books are Angela Thirkell's books, they follow on from Trollope's books about Barchester but she brought them up to modern times. I can't remember the last time I went to the pictures and I usually fall asleep when I start watching a film. My favourite film always used to be Where Eagles Dare but I don't know if it still is to be honest. I've got an old Fleetwood Mac CD on in the car at the moment.

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Residents' fury over ticketing gardens during Olympics

COUNCILLORS have been publicly criticised for backing a plan which prevents them using the Nothe Gardens in Weymouth during the Olympics.

People attending a full council meeting were furious that management committee members had agreed that the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games could use the gardens as a ticketed venue and charge up to £50 for the privilege of watching sailing events.

Alderman Andy Hutchings said there had been no public consultation and that letting out the gardens had been "a very wrong decision" which should have been considered by full council.

Roger Genge, who lives on the Nothe, said there had been consultation but only after a decision had been made.

He claimed the council had "no right" to enclose the gardens for a private function while Commander Mike

Harvey said yachting groups also felt the gardens should not be closed.

Councillor John Birtwistle said he had held talks about the issue and been told that Weymouth and Portland effectively agreed to the closure when the authority agreed to the London Olympic bid.

Management committee chairman Councillor Geoff Petherick said that LOCOG would be submitting a planning application covering use of the gardens and the

Nothe Fort and that new chief executive David Clarke had an opportunity to negotiate the terms of a licence.

Mr Clarke said LOCOG had initially been unclear whether to go out to public consultation first or whether to approach the council as landowner.

They eventually opted to approach the council, he said, but they would be consulting Weymouth Civic Society about the fort and other groups about the gardens.

Motorists facing the challenge of an increasing number of potholes

RAMSHACKLE roads are forcing motorists to cope with bone-shaking journeys almost every time they drive across Weymouth and Portland.

A survey by the *View* revealed that Abbotsbury Road in Weymouth has more than 300 patches on it for everything from trenches, cable and gas works to drains and manhole covers.

The situation is nearly as bad on the section of Chickerell Road from Boot Hill to its junction with Abbotsbury Road which has more than 240 patches.

Thousands more sites where roads have been dug up have created uneven driving conditions on routes from Dorchester Road and Littlemoor Road in Weymouth to Fortuneswell on Portland.

Weymouth and Portland transport spokesman Councillor Christine James knows better than most what the problem is because she is a driving instructor.

She said: "I believe that the county council is going to

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resurface Abbotsbury Road and Chickerell Road needs it as well.

"Motorists are getting caught out by these poor surfaces because they are not driving to suit the conditions. "As a driving instructor my pupils are having to face an extra challenge coping with poor surfaces on many Weymouth and Portland roads and the county council needs to do something about the problem."

A spokesman for Dorset County Council said: "We will shortly be carrying out resurfacing works along Newstead Road, Abbotsbury Road and Chickerell Road as part of our ongoing road resurfacing programme which will greatly improve the situation for motorists."

"We are aware that there has been a significant increase in the number of potholes on the roads of Dorset,

including Weymouth, following the period of bad weather that Dorset has recently experienced.

"Any potholes are repaired depending on their size and location but due to the increase in the number of defects we are having to deal with at present they may not be addressed as quickly as normal.

"If there is a cluster of potholes then extensive patching or a resurfacing scheme would need to be implemented.

"Regular inspections are carried out on all roads in Dorset to identify safety defects, including dangerous potholes, but we also encourage the public to report any locations that they come across.

"This can be done by phoning Dorset Direct on 01305 221000 or by going to www.dorsetforyou.com."

Fun on the Fleet

TWO events arranged by the Chesil Beach Centre will be held during February.

The first on February 5th is a West Fleet walk which will look at one of the more secluded parts of the Fleet. It costs £3 for adults and £2 for children and those interested should meet at Abbotsbury Swannery car park at 2pm.

The second event on February 20th will look for fossils at Ferrybridge as the tide falls. It costs £3 for adults and £2 for children and those interested should meet at the Crab House Café at 1.30pm.

More information about Centre walks is available on 01305-760579 or by visiting the website www.chesilbeach.org.

If you have a story for the View from Weymouth & Portland please call Harry Walton on 01305 787843

Second phase of town's new transport package underway

WEYMOUTH'S notorious King Street has just become one-way for the next five months.

The change comes as the second phase of the transport package gets fully underway and it means that traffic can now only travel down King Street towards Swannery Bridge.

One lane of the road is being closed so that workers have enough space to carry out the improvement work along King Street and at its junction with The Esplanade.

Gas works will be taking place at the Esplanade end of the road while the transport package work focuses on the other end.

The improvement work includes:

- Diverting utilities,
- Removing the existing traffic lights
- Narrowing the footpath on the train station side between the Texaco

garage and Queen Street

- Widening the other footpath between Kings Junction and The Esplanade

- Building out the Queen Street kerbs
- Putting in a road island near the Queen's Hotel
- Building a pedestrian island at the Swannery Bridge end
- Taking out the Esplanade mini-roundabout
- Building pedestrian islands outside Enzo's and opposite King Edward's Restaurant.

County strategic projects manager Matthew Piles said: "Restricting the access along King Street will reduce the amount of traffic in the area and make it safer for motorists and our workers."

"King Street is very narrow and this is really the only way to carry out the alterations with the least dis-

ruption. Having temporary two-way lights would just not work.

A diversion route will be in operation along Weymouth Way to Chafey's Roundabout.

People wishing to access the Park district from Portland can go through town via Swannery Bridge, Commercial Road, Westham Road and the Esplanade.

Drivers dropping people at the train station will be able to turn right into the forecourt from King Street and First buses will access the depot as usual.

Vehicles from Dorchester heading towards the ferry terminal or Pavilion will be directed down Dorchester Road and along The Esplanade. Harbour Junction is programmed to be finished, with the signals operating, by the end tomorrow night (Friday).

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Budget cuts to hit council employees

BUDGET cuts within cash strapped Dorset County Council will leave employees forced to take unpaid leave and accept reduced overtime pay.

The county council's employees will be forced into 24 days unpaid leave split equally between 2012 and 2013 as it aims to find £54.9 million savings by 2013-14.

Payments for overtime, night, weekend, bank holiday, and standby working will also be reduced.

Proposals to change terms and conditions aims to save the council at least £4.4m (in each full year) from January 2012.

The measures are to be reviewed in December 2013, but will be subject to the council being in a better financial position.

Any equalities issues will be analysed during a consultation period, which will end on April 26th 2011.

DCC's Chief Executive David Jenkins said: "It is a difficult and anxious time for staff.

"Savings of this level are unprecedented and will inevitably lead to the council having to manage with fewer people.

"By reviewing the terms and conditions of employees, we hope to be able to protect services and reduce the number of further redundancies required."

The bulk of the council's savings must come in 2011/12, with it needing to find savings of £31.1million when it sets its budget next month – up £4million from the expected £27.1million.

Savings are being proposed from across the county council's budgets and the workforce will be significantly reduced. As far as possible, this will be through freezing vacancies and through voluntary redundancies.

There will, however, need to be some compulsory redun-

dancies.

In order to keep these to a minimum, savings are being sought from staff's terms and conditions of employment across the board.

DCC's Member for Corporate Resources Spencer Flower said: "We see this as a constructive way forward in dealing with our financial challenges and in doing so preserving jobs and services.

"It is crucial that we seek to save as much as possible in ways that protect jobs and the

valuable services we provide for the people of Dorset.

"The public quite rightly expect us to do all we can to protect frontline services, and these proposals are part of that.

"We will of course be talking in detail with staff and trade unions about the plans before any final decisions are made."

Detailed budget proposals for 2011/12 will go before the Cabinet on February 2nd, before final decisions are made by all 45 members of the county council on February 17th.

Learning from the death of a child

DORSET families are being invited to take part in a project which aims to improve the services and support relatives receive following the death of a child.

Dorset County Hospital and Poole Hospital are leading the 'Piecing It Together' project, which will culminate in a free learning event being held in February, bringing together families, professionals, volunteers and community groups to develop skills and knowledge.

Lead nurse for paediatrics at Dorset County Hospital, Allison Ryder, said: "The death of a child is a devastating experience that has a permanent impact on everyone involved.

"We would like to get in touch with people who have been affected by the death of a child or young person and would be willing to share their experience or contribute to a learning event being held across Dorset.

"A key part of learning will be the contribution from anyone who has experienced the death of a child or young person under 21. We are appealing for parents, siblings, grandparents, or friends to work with us to help us understand and learn from their experience.

"We understand that this will be a very personal experience and everyone will feel able to contribute in different ways. We would welcome any type of contribution – this could be a letter, poem, picture, blog, video, discussion group or even a presentation."

Those wishing to get involved can choose to contribute anonymously if they would prefer.

All feedback to share about any aspect of the care their family will be gratefully received.

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Law and order 'is the norm' on Portland

MORE than 50 people packed a public meeting to hear police update them on their efforts to tackle violence and anti-social behaviour on Portland.

The meeting at Easton Methodist Church Hall was arranged after officers made four arrests in breaking up a large group of people in Easton Square on January 8th.

It was the first major incident since a police campaign to tackle island problems last summer and Sergeant Neil Wood of the Portland Safer Neighbourhood Team strongly denied that the latest clash meant the island was "back to square one".

He said: "People at the meeting were largely concerned about reports of a riot in Easton Square, an

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incident we told them had been blown up out of all proportion.

"We said it was simply an incident of criminal damage where those involved had been arrested and dealt with.

"We reassured everyone that the work done to deal with troublemakers on Portland last summer was still reaping its rewards and the criminal damage on January 8th was the only serious incident since then.

"The reality is that violent crime on Portland is down 15 per cent since summer 2010 while anti-social behaviour incidents are down 34 per cent which is a fantastic result.

"We fully appreciate that

there is still work to be done on Portland and we are committed to doing that work, but residents should be reassured that law and order is once again the

norm on the island.

"We want people to work with us to keep it that way to ensure that the minority of people determined to cause trouble on Portland are brought to justice and aren't allowed to give the island a bad name."

Man jailed for ASBO breaches

A MAN from Portland has been jailed after twice breaching his Anti-Social Behaviour Order as well as breaching a Community Order.

Joseph John Summers, aged 18, appeared at Weymouth Magistrates' Court charged with two-counts of breaching his ASBO; breach of his Community Order; possession of cannabis; and failure to appear on police bail.

He was convicted of all five offences and was subsequently sentenced to: three months imprisonment for the first ASBO breach; three months imprisonment for the second ASBO breach (to run concurrently with the first); and a further month in prison for breaching his Community Order (also to run concurrently).



■ WE PASSED: From the left are Ian Gray, Jennifer Smith, Fort Administration Manager Steven Booth, Monica Smith and Sheila Grindrod.

Five qualify at the fort

FIVE enthusiastic volunteers from Weymouth's Nothe Fort embarked on an educational adventure by passing their Level 2 NVQs with Kingston Maurward College.

Mature students Ian Gray, Monica Donahoe, Jennifer Smith and Sheila Grindrod studied Customer Service, whilst Jennifer Pricot studied Retail. All gained funding for the course via Dorset Training Plus.

Income from admission charges and the shop is used to maintain the fort and to develop the museum, so work done by the volunteers is essen-

tial to keep the historic attraction in good condition.

Fort administration manager Steven Booth, said: "When I approached Kingston Maurward College to look into the possibility of in-house training I was very impressed by their willingness to help to get the ball rolling.

"This is particularly beneficial for our front line staff working in the hospitality trade and even more relevant with 2012 fast approaching."

College retail assessor and coordinator Bryony Blair said: "The customer service and retail skills

demonstrated by the volunteers at the Nothe Fort are excellent.

As volunteers this is a great achievement, demonstrating the suitability of NVQ qualifications in all areas including the charity and voluntary sector."

Volunteer Jennifer Smith said: "Bryony from Kingston Maurward College was fantastic throughout. I couldn't have done it without her help."

Colleague Ian Gray added: "It was a challenge doing the homework as I hadn't done any for years, but I would encourage everyone to do a course like this. It keeps the brain active!"

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P-P-Pick up a penguin!



■ IT'S GOOD HERE:
The penguins explore their
new temporary home
Photos by HARRY WALTON

TEN Gentoo penguins are enjoying a holiday at Weymouth Sea Life Park.

The playful antarctic creatures joined the Park's resident Humboldt penguins after a long journey down from the world famous Edinburgh Zoo collection.

Marine expert Fiona Smith said: "They will be with us for two to three months and they are staying here only while a special new home is created for them at the Sea Life London Aquarium.

"They were driven down overnight and staff with them said they settled down quickly, the trip went well and they have all arrived safely.

"We will now be watching them to see how they interact with our Humboldt penguins.

"We have already weighed the Gentoo before they were released into their enclosure so we can monitor their condition while they are here and pass the information on to London when they are transferred there towards Easter."

The new London home will be paradise for the Gentoo because it is being specially designed to mimic their Antarctic habitat right down to lots of fresh ice.

Once established they will be the network's second Gentoo colony, the first being at Southern Germany's Konstanz

Sea Life Centre.

Fiona said: "These birds are the acrobats of the penguin world. They love to dive in the water and leap out onto dry land one behind the other almost as if the whole thing had been choreographed.

"In spite of their very different styles of behaviour the Humboldts and the Gentoo will make perfect companions during their stay together.

"Both are on the endangered list in the wild, Gentoo mainly because of loss of habitat in their native sub-antarctic islands including the Falkland Islands."

She added that the Sea Life network hoped to add the Gentoo to its breeding successes which include boosting the captive bred stock of Humboldt penguins.



■ TRAVELLING BOXES: The ten Gentoo penguins as they arrived safely from Edinburgh

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Ginger gets a new home



■ BIG-HEARTED John Steele with Ginger, the dog which captured the nations hearts when she was filmed being abandoned.

GINGER the dog has finally found a caring home, months after her callous owners allegedly abandoned her at a Weymouth industrial estate.

The German Spitz Mittel cross dog captured the country's imagination and hearts last year when CCTV footage showed her being put out of a car, before limping and pining after her owners as they sped away.

Now big-hearted John Steele has promised to care for Ginger after watching her plight on television.

Mr Steele, who lives alone in Southampton, said he hoped Ginger would be a "very good companion" for him.

He said "I saw Ginger on CCTV. It was so grim to see her dumped, and that was it really.

"She could have quite easily been run over or caused an accident. The people who dumped her should have had more thought than they did.

"I've a nice comfortable home and garden and plenty of time to give the dog. I'm very honoured to be chosen to look after her. I didn't expect to get her at all.

"It's so nice to have her. I'll make sure she has a lovely home and a great life and hopefully we can grow old together."

Dog lovers were taken by Ginger's story last September. Since then she has had her claws treated after they had grown into her paws following neglect.

She was picked up by Weymouth & Portland Borough Council's Dog Warden and taken to Woodland Kennels in Bridport.

Kennels Owner Mary Bull said: "We

by Paul Crompton

look after the local areas strays and re-home the ones not reclaimed.

"With Ginger it took longer than usual because we had to get a licence from the RSPCA to re-home her.

"We had Mr Steele visit a few times before to meet Ginger, to see how they got on."

Speaking of why Ginger's story captured the country's imagination, Mrs Bull said: "I think when the general public saw Ginger on camera and then the people driving away and seeing her trying to follow really tore at people heart strings."

She added: "Ginger will be missed here at Woodland Kennels, but I am glad that she is going to a loving new home.

"Unfortunately there are many other dogs out there with a similar story, who are unable to tell it themselves."

Mrs Bull urged View readers thinking about having a pet like Ginger, to consider taking a stray from one of the many charities out there, adding: "Adopting an unwanted dog can be incredibly rewarding."

Councillor Ian James, Brief Holder for Community Safety, said: "I am so glad that Ginger has been found a loving new home. Her story highlights the case of many other abandoned dogs, and this is a growing problem nationally. I would like to encourage people out there who have been touched by Ginger's story and are thinking about getting a dog, to adopt a stray from one of the many rescue charities who are currently overwhelmed by abandoned pets."

Remember a loved one with snowdrops

A SNOWDROP Service of Remembrance will take place at the Holy Trinity Church in Weymouth on Friday, February 11th at 2pm.

The service is organised by the Weldmar Hospice-care Trust and is one of 11 taking place across the area to remember loved ones who have died.

A spokesperson said: "The services are held in late winter when the snowdrops first appear, reminding us that the hope and warmth of spring are not far away.

The trust has established Snowdrop Gardens and Walks to provide a lasting memorial to loved ones. Snowdrops may be planted in a person's memory and their name is then included in a book kept in each location. The trust asks for a donation of £10 to cover costs and the donation is acknowledged by a commemorative card.

For more information contact Nikki Grattan on 01305 767527 or visit the website www.weld-hospice.org.uk

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One management team for two councils

A NEW, slimmed-down management team has been appointed for West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland councils.

The four posts are the next step in a shared services partnership that will save an estimated £8.5 million over five years.

Joining Chief Executive David Clarke on the shared management team responsible for 800 staff and gross budgets totalling £103 million will be Jason Vaughan as director finance and governance, Adrian Stuart as director of Human Resources and IT, Kate Hindson as communities director and David Evans as environment director.

The four new roles replace nine current senior posts – six in Weymouth and Portland and three in West Dorset.

Weymouth and Portland council leader Geoff Petherick said: "I am absolutely delighted that we have been able to appoint such a high calibre team of directors to support our chief executive. These are challenging times and these four senior posts are crucial to the future success of the two councils."

by Harry Walton

West Dorset council leader Robert Gould said: "These key appointments are the latest step in the work to bring our two workforces together."

"The savings we make will be used to protect and develop front line services, even in the severe financial climate the two councils face as a result of the national spending review. We will be stronger and leaner together."

The joint workforce will deliver services to 162,000 residents, over 6,100 businesses and the millions of visitors to the areas governed by West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland, the councils remaining two separate authorities.

Each will set its own budget and council tax. Both will still be able to deliver the services that local people want in the way that is most appropriate for their area.

The next steps in the programme to bring the two workforces together will be to appoint service managers plus a lead for the councils' involvement in the 2012 sailing events.

These appointments will be completed by April 2011.

The process of bringing together and transforming all services will begin in April 2011 and will take around two years.

The two councils have experience of successfully working together. Their pioneering revenues and benefits partnership has improved service to the public and saved £1 million since it began.

Plans to protect vital front line services for the most vulnerable

COUNCILLORS look set to back a balanced budget which includes a freeze on council tax despite tough economic times.

Weymouth and Portland council faces a 16.8 per cent cut in direct government funding from £5.145 million to £4.281 million which equates to £864,000 less in its 2011-2012 grant with a further cut of £587,000 or 13.7 per cent in 2012-2013. The total loss in funding is £1.451 million over the next two years.

The council says that members and officers have been working hard over the past year to put in place plans to ensure that vital front line services for the most vulnerable members of society are protected.

This work has identified savings through the waste partnership with five districts and the county council working together. The revenues and benefits partnership has already saved over £1million in the last five years while joint working with West Dorset council is predicted to make a net saving of £8.5 million over the next five years.

Finance spokesman Councillor Peter Chapman said: "Weymouth and Portland is ahead of the game thanks to the planning and innovative thinking of both members and officers."

"We are leading the way in reshaping how local authorities deliver services through our ground breaking merger of staff with West Dorset and our partnership and joint working

across Dorset.

"We have been able to protect front line services whilst reducing management and back office costs."

"We are identifying the most cost effective and efficient ways of providing essential services and in doing so, we will be able to freeze council tax at its current level to keep the impact on residents to a minimum and provide the best possible value for money for local taxpayers."

Budget proposals will be considered by the council's management committee on Tuesday, February 1 before a final budget is set by full council on February 24th.

New tree planted in Peace Garden

AN Amelanchier tree has been planted in Weymouth Peace Garden at the Nothe by Dorset Humanists.

Member Angela Joynson, who also helped to plant some Darwin tulips, said: "It is a multi-faith garden."

"Humanists are not a faith but we have beliefs which are an alternative to a religious faiths and the garden embraces all views."

Garden project leader Chris Wilson said: "To be given this tree is a great gesture of support for us and we appreciate the trouble they have gone to."

"They wanted to show that, however diverse people's beliefs are, they can still support peace."



■ ANGELA Joynson (left) and Chris Wilson prepare to plant a new tree in Weymouth Peace Garden

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A little bit of give and take

A HUGE popular Give and Take day was held at Willowbed Hall in Chickereil. The event was one of a series aiming to reduce landfill by encouraging people to reuse unwanted items.

Weymouth and Portland recycling officer Anna Beech said: "People were able to bring along items they no longer wanted but which still had a life.

"Other people were then able to take away free of charge anything they felt they could find a use for once it had been weighed to record how much was being saved from going in to landfill.

"The Give and Take at Willowbed was our first partnership event with West Dorset council and we are hoping that it will be the first of many.

"It was also the first event at which we

by Harry Walton

have been able to take electrical items because we had experts on site to check them for safety.

"Reuse charity Dorset Reclaim were also able to take items away to help low income families, so it really was an event where everyone including the environment was a winner."

Weymouth and Portland recycling spokesman Councillor Brendan Webster said: "Recycling is important on a number of fronts.

"It adds to a sense of community, it makes people aware of the value of not increasing the amount put into landfill and it encourages people to work across borders to provide a service."



■ WEST Dorset recycling promotion officer Dave Levi and Anna Beech hold an attractive sewing machine



■ ANNA BEECH with a Chinese-style cabinet brought to the Give and Take day

The big bird watch

WEYMOUTH Wetlands is calling on people across Dorset to take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch, the world's largest wildlife survey, this coming weekend (Saturday, January 29th and Sunday 30th).

Last year nearly 500,000 people took part nationally to help build up a snapshot of what is happening to some bird favourites particularly in light of recent hard winters.

Organisers are hoping for an even bigger survey this year while Weymouth Wetlands is running a special free event on Sunday, January 30th to help those new to birdwatching tell their dunnocks from their house sparrows.

Weymouth Wetlands information officer Luke Phillips explained: "Anyone can attend. You don't need to be an RSPB member and you don't even need binoculars or bird books because we'll provide all the gear for you.

"Identifying and counting birds in your garden can be the start of a lifelong passion for wildlife, so families of all age groups and of course children are particularly welcome.

"The Big Garden Birdwatch is a fun

family activity but it is also a very important conservation tool and a great way for us to find out what's happening to many different species of birds.

"All people have to do is look out at their window feeders or their garden, playground or local park for one hour on either Saturday January 29th or Sunday January 30th and note the different species of birds you see, record the highest number of each species you see at any one time and give us your results.

"And if you come along to our free event on Sunday from 10am-noon, you can be more certain of which birds you're seeing."

Special survey forms, complete with bird ID photos, are available from the Weymouth Wetlands visitor centre at Radipole Lake in Weymouth's Swannery car park.

To pick up a Big Garden Birdwatch survey form and ID chart or to book on to the Big Garden Birdwatch for Beginners event on Sunday January 30th people should call in at the visitor centre in Weymouth's Swannery car park or phone 01305 778313.

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Portland castle sold

PENNSYLVANIA Castle on Portland is understood to have been sold to an Australian buyer for £4 million.

The 210-year-old castle, which has eight bedrooms, six reception rooms, a wine cellar, an indoor pool and landscaped gardens with an orangery, once belonged to the grandson of William Penn who founded the US state.

It was sold by Sarah Curtis, the widow of millionaire lawyer Stephen Curtis who died in a helicopter crash near Bournemouth Airport in 2004.

President's ball

WEYMOUTH and Portland Chamber of Commerce is holding its annual President's Ball at the Hotel Prince Regent on February 5th.

The guest speaker will be Councillor Mike Goodman, an ex-commander of Portland Naval Base who has many interesting tales of Navy life.

Tickets can be booked at Muffins Cafe St Albans Street on 01305-783844, Basepoint Centres on 01305-767675 or by e-mailing nigelreed@basepoint.co.uk or from Trevor Mathews on 07770-303964.

Recycler the robot's rap for primary pupils

RECYCLER the rapping robot has brought his eco message to Southwell Primary School on Portland.

The mechanical champion was making his visit during a tour of local schools as part of a campaign to deliver the 3Rs message of "Reduce, Re-use, Recycle".

His young audience listened to how they could reduce their waste, recycle locally and put the 3Rs into practice at home and at school and they loved Recycler's toe-tapping rap dance.

Southwell eco team leader and teacher Helen Collings said: "Recycler's visit was part of the school's wider eco involvement.

"We have an eco team which has been working towards encouraging more recycling within the school and the community.

"This includes a "Switch-off-Friday" where everyone is encouraged to make sure all unneeded lights and equipment are switched off to save power.

"We also have recycling points within the school for paper which we are widening to include other materials such as plastic and tins."

She added that Recycler's visit had helped to encourage younger children to get to know more about recycling and to reinforce the 3Rs message to older children in a fun way.

Waste Watch outreach education officer Shirley Barre, who introduced Recycler to more than 100 pupils at Southwell said: "Children can relate to Recycler because he is about their age and about their height.

"The 3Rs message is very important for children of this age because it plants the seed of being more aware of their planet and their role in it to help look after it.

It is also about children taking their message home and spreading the word."

County waste education and projects officer Kirsten Juniper said: "Every household in the UK throws away over one tonne of waste each year and more than half of this

could be recycled.

"A visit from Recycler is a great way for young people to learn about how important it is to reduce waste and to recycle as much as possible, at home and at school while joining in with Recycler's rap and watching the games, props and role-plays is a good way to remember important messages and take them home."

The Recycler programme is brought to schools by Dorset County Council in partnership with Waste Watch.



■ RAPPING ROBOT: Shirley Barre with Recycler

The Christian Column

AS I SEE IT ...

by Geoff Treleven

Trust and obey

Walking by a busy road, I noticed a man trying to cross to the other side with a dog. Just as he gave the command to proceed, an unexpected vehicle appeared and he had to tell the dog to stop. When all was clear, they continued together.

The dog had obviously been trained to recognise his master's voice and, with complete trust, obey instantly. The result was safety for all concerned.

Voice recognition is an interesting subject. We are often able to identify people by their voice – even when we have not seen them for a long time. Jesus told a parable about sheep being able to distinguish between the voice of their shepherd and a stranger. He pointed out that He was the good shepherd (*John 10: 1-18*).

I believe God has ways and means of attracting our attention. We may not hear an audible voice but, if we are honest, we are aware that He is speaking to us in some way and for whatever reason. Clearly, how we respond to His call affects the rest of our lives.

As the old hymn says: "There's no other way to be happy in Jesus - But to trust and obey."

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■ VOLUNTEERS Litter pickers with cardboard and an engine belt which were among early finds

Litter pickers even come up with a safe!

OVER 50 large bin bags of general rubbish, two bicycles, various odd wheels, helmets, a body board, a tent and, most unusually, an open safe were among the items found during a community litter pick at Weymouth's Radipole reserve.

RSPB staff at the reserve organised the event, which was extended to include Radipole Park Drive and other important green areas such as the Site of Special Scientific Interest near Westham Bridge.

There was no shortage of rubbish to collect and within the first 15 minutes a band of volunteers had collected everything from cardboard, vehicle parts and plastic bottles to polystyrene, a football, cigarette packet wrappers and a bag of used nappies.

Weymouth Wetlands manager Nick Tomlinson said: "We have contacted the police who have told us that the safe was not connected with any crime they were aware of but



■ DEPUTY Mayor Graham Winter passes back litter for Tom Clarke to bag it

by Harry Walton

were investigating further. "This was a fantastic opportunity for people to get involved and show that

they support Weymouth and Portland's green spaces.

"We hope it will be the start of a twice-yearly litter pick across the borough every year."

He added that the worst items of litter were plastic, tins and other modern materials which could take hundreds or even thousands of years to degrade.

Mr Tomlinson said: "These items not only damage the environment and wildlife but they damage the image of Weymouth and detract from the very experience we try to bring visitors here to enjoy."

Weymouth and Portland

project officer Tom Clarke said: "This is a nature reserve and when it dies back in winter it exposes all the litter dumped during the green periods of the year. The trick is to pick it all up before everything grows back and hides it again."

"We are very grateful to everyone who turned up today, particularly Deputy Weymouth and Portland Mayor Councillor Graham Winter who flew the flag for the authority."

Mr Winter said: "Litter doesn't do the image of Weymouth and Portland any good at all and I am happy to do my bit to help pick up litter and show support for the reserve which is one of the jewels in Weymouth's crown."



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Drink drive results show young drivers risk lives

A TOTAL of 90 drivers were arrested in Dorset during the Christmas drink drive campaign between December 1st and January 1st – with almost 40 per cent of those arrested being men under the age of 30.

During the campaign there were increased traffic patrols, as well as road-side checks, and every driver who was involved in a collision during the period was breath tested – irrespective of whether they were suspected of drink driving or not.

All except 15 of the 90 people arrested were men, with one third of all the arrested people under the age of 25.

The youngest person to be arrested during the campaign was 17 and the oldest was 73.

Officers carried out 943 breath tests across the county during the campaign – this figure is lower than previous years due to the se-

vere winter weather driving conditions experienced during December 2010.

Chief Inspector Bob Nichols, of the Dorset Police Traffic Unit, said: "I'm pleased that the number of people arrested dropped for this year's campaign compared to last year, when 103 drivers were arrested.

"The number of breath tests carried out over the campaign is lower than in previous years due to the treacherous winter driving conditions in December that saw fewer motorists take to the roads.

"However, these figures show that a minority of drivers are still willing to risk their lives, and the lives of other innocent motorists, by choosing to drink and drive.

"I'm particularly concerned at the large number of younger drivers who we continue to see risking

their lives by drinking and driving."

Although the Christmas drink drive campaign is now over, Dorset Police is reminding drivers that they still face being caught if they choose to drink and drive.

Chief Inspector Nichols continued: "My advice to drivers is simple – don't get behind the wheel after drinking any alcohol at all. Even one drink can impair your ability to drive.

"If a member of the public suspects someone is driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, they should dial 999 immediately and report the details to the police so that we can intercept that vehicle."

The legal consequences of being caught drink driving include a minimum 12 month driving ban, a criminal record, up to six months in prison and a fine of up to £5,000.

Councils appoint slimline joint management team

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- Director of Finance and Governance - Jason Vaughan;
- Director of Human Resources and IT - Adrian Stuart;
- Director of Communities - Kate Hindson;
- Director of Environment - David Evans.

The four new roles replace nine current senior posts – six in Weymouth & Portland and three in West Dorset.

Weymouth & Portland Borough Council Leader Geoff Petherick said: "I am absolutely delighted that we have been able to appoint such a high calibre team of directors to support our Chief Executive. These are challenging times and these four senior posts are crucial to the future success of the two councils."

West Dorset District Council Leader Robert Gould said: "These key appointments are the latest step in the work to bring our two workforces together.

"The savings we make will be used to protect and develop front line services, even in the severe financial climate the two councils face as a result of the national spending review. We will be stronger and leaner together."

The joint workforce will deliver services to 162,000 residents, over 6,100 businesses and the millions of visitors to the areas governed by West Dorset District Council and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council.

The councils will continue to be two separate authorities, each setting its own budget and council tax. Both will still be able to deliver the services that local people want in the way that is most appropriate for their area.

The next steps in the programme to bring the two workforces together will be to appoint service managers, plus a lead for the councils' involvement in the 2012 sailing events. These appointments will be completed by April 2011.

The process of bringing together and transforming all services will begin in April 2011 and will take around two years.

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A personal View by HARRY WALTON

Don't be fooled by the no cards routine

VALENTINE'S Day is nearly on us and shoppers have already been battered for some time with goods displaying sickly red hearts.

Such displays are an emotional minefield for men because woe betide them if their wife or girlfriend doesn't get one card she can sigh over.

No card and that sigh is exchanged for the sort of frosty breakfast table atmosphere last experienced by Captain Oates as he bravely told his doomed polar companions: "I am just going outside and may be some time."

This portrayal of a brave man deliberately sacrificing his own life to give Captain Scott and the rest of his friends a better chance of surviving is, of course, ludicrously wide of the truth.

What really happened was that Oates realised he hadn't sent his loved one a Valentine card and his life wouldn't be worth living when he got home, so why not end it now.

For an occasion allegedly garnished with tender feelings there are some notoriously dangerous female remarks for us

men to watch out for and here are a few of them.

"Don't get me a card. They're way too expensive." Never fall for this or you will be accused of being a despicable skinflint who values her less than a cheap piece of paper.

"Let's not bother with cards this year." A favourite ploy here. If you take her at her word and don't get her a card then a year at the dentist will seem like child's play compared to the year you will be facing.

Yes, hell hath no fury like a woman

scorned...even if she told you to scorn her.

Naturally everything changes if she gets more than one Valentine card because then the man is not allowed to ask where these other love tokens have come from because he will fobbed off with a remark that it is "just a bit of fun".

So, gentlemen, be on your guard and follow my advice. If she says she doesn't expect a card then respect that wish...but keep a signed Valentine "To my bunny wunny" handy just in case.

What thunderstorm?

MORE than 50 people recently had a shock when a thunderstorm battered Weymouth....because they didn't know it had happened!

Roads were flooded, dozens of tree branches came down and torrential rain dragged debris on to roads mounding it in drifts up to six inches high in places.

All this virtually didn't exist for the 50 people in question because they were many feet underground attending a meeting at the Nothe Fort.

It was only as they prepared to leave that the full enormity of what had happened was made clear when staff warned them to take extreme care on steps made slick with rainwater and to watch out for surface water.

The general response was: "Thunderstorm, what thunderstorm?" because only one brief noise from the storm had been loud enough to penetrate the depths of the Fort.

The aftermath of the storm affected many people whose phones and computers were either left in a dodgy condition or knocked out altogether.

One householder only realised their phone was out of action when the person unable to reach them then walked round and knocked on their door while other people were informed that phone companies were trying to solve the problem but they were inundated by the workload.

The best line came from a man who wryly offered the tongue in cheek opinion that the entire difficulty was nothing to do with the thunderstorm at all and had actually been caused by the new traffic light system in Weymouth!

Rather than me

A LOOK of pure relief came over the elderly woman's face as she smiled and shook her head.

She then said: "Thank God I don't have to pay their food bill!"

The "they" in question were three enormous St Bernard dogs being taken for a stroll near Town Bridge....and boy were they big! Looked like six cans of dog food a day at least to me....each!

Times must be hard in the banking world!

JANUARY is probably the worst period for business with shops battling to attract interest from bankrupt shoppers in the wake of Christmas.

There are sales for this, sales for that and a lot of sales for the other, but even the most jaded of shoppers must have shown a spark of interest at the almost incredible sight of sales being held by banks and estate agents.

It defies belief because just what are they going to offer?

Perhaps £20 notes knocked down for £10 or maybe a three-bedroom house specially reduced to a two-bedroom house! Doesn't sound right does it?

It's not that banks and estate agents don't have something to sell, just that it's a bit difficult to whip up much enthusiasm about cheaper borrowing rates

or a free colour scheme of your choice if you buy that flat you've always wanted.

The truth is that people associate sales with shops and not with pounds and property, so it may well be a sign of just how hard times are if two such mega money earners are desperate enough to pursue something as basic as a sale.

National Storytelling Week
Saturday 29th January - Saturday 5th February
www.sfs.org.uk/nsw

For the last 11 years SFS has been encouraging all areas of the community to take part in creating and enjoying storytelling, awakening imagination and creativity. During National Storytelling Week 2010 a combined age audience from 3 - 93 years of around 16,500 people took part. BBC Local Radio stations around the country have always supported the week and joined in with storytelling broadcasts by SFS members as well as other storytellers who took part.

2011 shall be no different! Here are just some of the organisations holding events this year...

Colchester Zoo, Leamington Spa Art Gallery and Museum, Coventry Transport Museum, the Children's International School Nigeria, the World of Beatrix Potter (Bowness-on-Windermere), Queen Ethelburga's College (York), and hundreds of schools throughout the UK!

Storytelling can be found enriching lives everywhere: from nurseries to schools, from bereavement aids in hospitals to strengthening communication in the business sphere, from reminiscence centres to support groups for those with special needs, and in theatrical performances. The sharing between teller and listener empowers, feeding the imagination from one generation to the next.

To take part in National Storytelling Week please contact Del Reid by telephoning 020 8866 4232 or go online at www.sfs.org.uk/nsw

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Imagine Books has a great many fascinating topics, including: Ancient architecture & History, Archaeology, Astrology, Buddhism, Christianity, Egyptology, Homeopathy, Meditation, Mythology and much, much more!

As it is National Storytelling Week from Saturday 29th January until Saturday 5th February, Imagine Bookshop will be hosting a fun day, with traditional children's story books, such as Peter Rabbit, Thomas the Tank Engine and Winnie the Pooh. There will also be some really old classics such as Alice in Wonderland and The Wind in the Willows. On 5th February, Imagine Bookshop will also be treated to a visit from local author Carol Hunt, who will be free to sign autographs and read excerpts from her successful books The Portland Dragon and the sequel to The Enchantment of the Black Dog.



■ A LEGACY OF HOPE. Barbara Cohen displays a candle at the Holocaust Memorial Day display in Weymouth Library

Marking Holocaust Memorial Day

WEYMOUTH and Portland has been paying its respects today (Thursday) to mark Holocaust Memorial Day.

The Mayor Councillor Paul Kimber was due to a lead a service this morning in gardens off Radipole Park Drive in Weymouth while other events have been held over a

wide area.

One of those was a Holocaust Memorial Day display in Weymouth Library by the South West Multicultural Network.

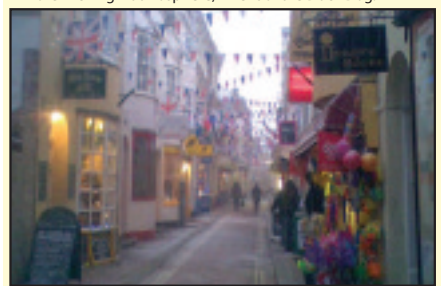
Their spokesman Barbara Cohen said: "It forms part of a national day for remembering the victims and survivors of the Holocaust and

subsequent genocides.

"It is about people pledging to make a stand against prejudice and oppression, hatred and exclusion so that the atrocities of the past will not happen again.

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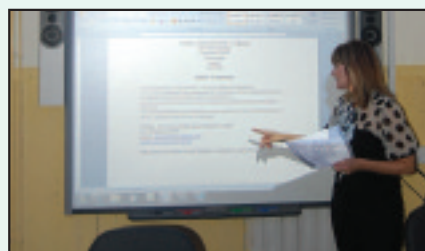
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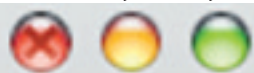
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Mayor backs city

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"We decided we will apply. Them asking shows this old market town of Dorchester has kept the best of the old and integrated the new tastefully."

"With the town expanding to Monkey Jump and Poundbury, we feel we tick all the boxes."

"Hopefully if we get city status it will show how Dorchester has got through the recession. We have had over 50 shops open in the last two years and there are no shops boarded up here."

"The size won't hinder us. The history will help us without doubt. It's a great thing for the town."

"We are the county town on the map and now this highlights how important Dorchester is."

"I think Poundbury may well help us, let's hope it does. I'm a great believer that when Prince Charles had a dream of one day turning his farming enterprise into a model town he could have gone for anywhere from Lands End to London, but he chose to come to our town."

He added: "It will definitely be a dream come true for the town if it becomes a reality."



Keep fit and have fun

Physiques & Shapes is a privately run health and fitness club that has been established in Dorchester for over 14 years. The club has recently, undergone a major refurbishment, reinvesting in state-of-the-art equipment and increasing their staff availability, so they are able to guarantee a first-class service to their members.

They have recently introduced the Easy Line Circuit and Toning Chairs to their ladies only area.

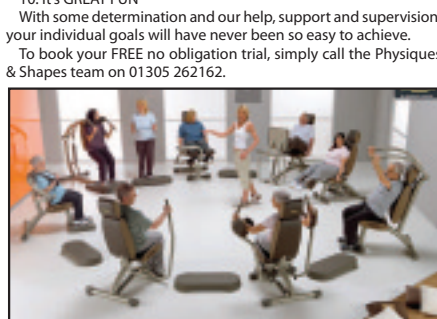
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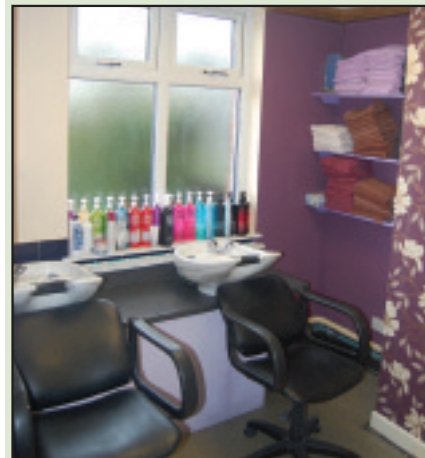
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Goulds Java Café in Weymouth and Café 11 in Dorchester will be challenging its customers to shake up their wake up this week as part of the celebrations for Farmhouse Breakfast Week (23 – 29 January). Campaign organisers, HGCA are calling on all breakfast skippers to rethink their morning routine and start the day the right way, with a delicious healthy breakfast. Date: Saturday 22nd January/Saturday 29th January
Time: 7.30 - 8.30am / 8am - 9am / all day from 9am – 5pm
Where: Goulds Garden Centre, Littlemoor Rd, Preston, Weymouth DT3 6AD / Café 11, Goulds Fashion Store, South Street, Dorchester, DT1 1BS
Local farmer David Gough will be explaining to the children how breakfast cereals are grown / local butcher Roy Harris will be leading a tasting of his finest breakfast sausages / throughout the week, local producers will be in store offering tastings of their produce
Other information:

media please contact the school if you would like to attend / event is open to everyone
Karen Levy, HGCA's Marketing Executive explains, "With one in four people regularly skipping breakfast(1), this is a great opportunity to Shake Up Your Wake Up and discover how easy it is to make time for the most important meal of the day. There are many quick and tasty breakfast ideas to choose from, so whether you're at home, school, work or on the go, it's easy to find the best breakfast for you." During Farmhouse Breakfast Week hun-



dreds of breakfast events, competitions and promotions at schools, restaurants, cafes, farm shops and farmers' markets will be taking place across the country. Full details of all events and activities can be found at www.shakeupyourwake.com. For further information about Farmhouse Breakfast Week 2011 (23 - 29 January) please contact a member of the team:
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View 2 Music

Billy Bragg to play Burton Bradstock Coastwatch fundraiser

A FUNDRAISING event for the National Coastwatch Institution at Burton Bradstock will take place on Saturday, February 12th featuring live music from Billy Bragg.

The event will take place at Freshwater Beach Holiday Park, starting at 7pm, and as well as Billy Bragg there will also be live music from the emerging talent James Lusby and his band.

Speaking about the event, Bragg said "Over the past summer, the NCI station at Burton Bradstock has helped to ensure the safety of everyone who uses the beach and the bay. Their volunteers serve not only our community, but also the thousands of holiday makers who visit Burton Beach during the year. Chesil Beach is a very popular destination, but it also presents challenges for those unfamiliar with its shelves and tides. I hope you will join me in supporting the National Coastwatch Institution in their efforts to keep our beaches safe."

Station manager of NCI Lyme Bay, Clive Edwards commented "After two years of negotiations the National Coastwatch Institution finally opened their new NCI Lyme Bay station at Burton Cliff on July 31st, the first NCI station in West Dorset.

The area is very popular with holidaymakers and locals alike enjoying the beauty of the Jurassic Coast, its beaches, and the coastal waters off Chesil Beach. There is a Coastwatch station at Portland Bill and another at Exmouth, and now we have one to cover the busy Burton Beach area.

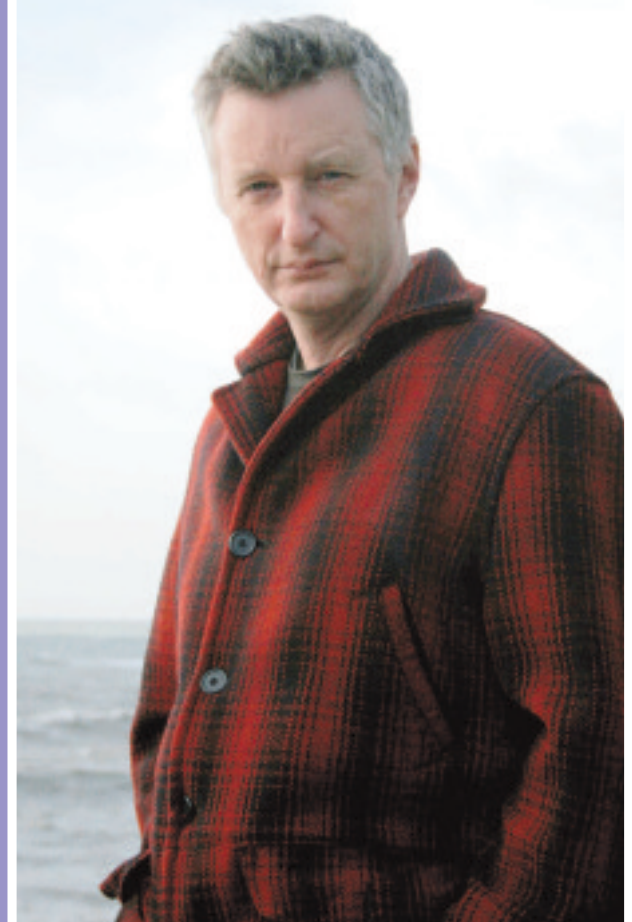
Individual stations such as the new NCI Lyme Bay look out at Burton depend entirely on locally raised funds to cover their establishment, operational and maintenance costs. At present NCI Lyme Bay's main financial priority is on raising sufficient funds to provide a purpose-built Look-Out, fully equipped with the latest surveillance equipment including radar, at a permanent location.

The NCI is a registered charity, relying entirely on volunteers to train as watchkeepers to act as the first line of detection of any potential incidents in waters off our coastline, and fielding them quickly and efficiently to the emergency services."

"Please come along and enjoy a great evening of live music, and support your local Coastwatch, you never know when you might need it!"

Tickets for the event cost £10 and are available from Bridport Music (01308 425707).

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Author to give talk on her critically acclaimed first novel

EMMA Craigie will talk about the extraordinary true story behind her acclaimed first novel, *Chocolate Cake With Hitler* at Slader's Yard in Bridport.

The story of Helga, twelve-year-old daughter of Joseph Goebbels, the Nazi Party's Head of Propaganda. As defeat closes in on the Germans Helga's family moves into a bunker in the heart of Berlin with key members of the crumbling Nazi leadership to be near their beloved 'Uncle Leader'. Helga realises her gilded childhood may not have been quite what it seemed,

Chocolate Cake With Hitler was nominated for the FT Best First Novel Award and the Carnegie Medal.

The talk will take place at Slader's Yard, West Bay, Bridport on Friday, January 28th from 7pm. Tickets cost £5. For more details or tickets call 01308 459511.



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February events at Lyme Regis Museum to celebrate Maritime Life

As part of a year-long celebration of the maritime life, culture and heritage of Lyme Regis, February's events at the museum will have a maritime theme.

Wednesday, February 2nd 2.30pm

LYME'S ERODING COAST

Richard Edmonds, Earth Science Manager of the Jurassic Coast Trust, discusses the coast of Lyme Regis, its erosion and coastal engineering schemes. He will try to answer the ultimate question, will people want to live in Lyme Regis 50 years from now?

Saturday, February 5th 2.30pm

THE ETERNAL MARINER

A talk by Jennifer Grierson about her recent experiences crewing on a Tall Ships adventure – with images and more than a nod to ancient stories.

Wednesday, February 9th 2.30pm

SHIPWRECKS OF LYME BAY

Diver Nigel Clarke talks about the diversity of over 200 shipwrecks in Lyme Bay – from war ships to cargo vessels. Each wreck has a story, as well as providing a habitat for marine creatures.

Saturday, February 12th 2.30pm

JANE AUSTEN AND HER NAVAL BROTHERS

Jane's brothers Charles and Francis both rose to Admiral in the Royal Navy. Diana Shervington describes how Jane's fictional characters reflect her admiration for their dedication.

Sunday, February 13th 2.30pm

KNOW YOUR FOSSILS

A talk on how fossils lived, and how to find, identify and handle, with the museum's fossil experts Paddy Howe and Chris Andrew.

Wednesday, February 16th 2.30pm

LYME'S GREATEST SAILOR – ADMIRAL SIR GEORGE SOMERS

Imogen Thomas talks about the 17th century naval hero, founder of the colony of Bermuda – a shipwreck believed to have inspired Shakespeare's *The Tempest*.

Friday, February 18th 2.30pm

THE HMS FORMIDABLE DISASTER

Jack Thomas talks about the sinking of the World War I battleship and Lyme's part in the rescue of its sailors.

Sunday, February 20th 2.30pm

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Wednesday, February 23rd 11am to 3pm

FAMILY FUN DAY

Drop in any time and get creative with museum curator Mary Godwin.

Thursday, February 24th 2.30pm

THE CEMENT WORKS OF MONMOUTH BEACH

A talk by Richard Bull on Lyme's cement factory on the shoreline and its dependence on the nearby Cobb – part of a series on the history of the town's industries.

Saturday, February 26th 2.30pm

THE SEARCH FOR COAL UNDER LYME

Richard Bull talks about the Lyme colliery – that never was. How coal came from Newcastle, and was traded for 80 years on the Cobb.

Sunday, February 27th 2.30pm

KNOW YOUR FOSSILS

A talk on how fossils lived, and how to find, identify and handle, with the museum's fossil experts Paddy Howe and Chris Andrew.

Electric Palace to screen *Caligula* live from Paris

ON Tuesday, February 8th, the Electric Palace in Bridport will be screening '*Caligula*' live from Opera de Paris, as the third ballet of the live screenings from Moscow and Paris.

First performed in 2005, *Caligula* is Étoile Dancer Nicolas Le Riche's first choreography for the Paris Opera Ballet. Intrigued by the complex and troubling personality of the

Roman emperor, the choreographer evokes the torments of a frail man capable of loving the moon and idolizing his horse, a man impassioned by theatre and constantly playing a role himself.

Constructed as a tragedy, the choreography follows the inexorable progression of this solitary hero towards death. Accompanied by Vi-

valdi's Four Seasons, which illustrates the irremediable passage of time, the dance, in all its depth and energy, translates the poetry and the violence inherent in a life consumed at lightning speed by excess.

Tickets are on sale now from Bridport Tourist Information Centre 01308 424901. Adult £10.50 / Children £5.50 / Family £25.00

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

GAVIN Ewart, who died in 1995 published many volumes of poetry and was best known for his humorous and erotic light verse. However he wrote about a wide range of topics, including the approach of the end of one's life.

EXITS

*If you imagine life as a large room,
most of the Exits are marked Painful –
and this is what causes fear,
to get from here to there
the despot, the dandy and the duffer
all have to suffer.*

*But with the sudden atomic boom –
this is what makes some men disdainful
of death – or the slick quick knife
or shot, you're out of life
like that! bingo! couldn't be faster!
And that's no disaster.*

*It's when the slow darknesses loom,
the clouds look doom-laden and rainful,
the lightning hysterias fly
across the agonised sky.
Long illness brings dreams of funerals,
hearses –
but sudden death: mercies.*

*Don't mourn them, like some stolid marble
tomb,
those who go out like a light – gainful
it isn't, and they had luck,
missed what we all would duck*

*if we'd the choice: feeling iller and iller.
Long live the instant killer*

GAVIN was born in London and had his first poetry published in 1939, when he was only seventeen. After serving as an officer in the Royal Artillery he continued his literary life after the war, writing his own verse and also editing the "Penguin Book of Light Verse" and other anthologies.

THE LATE EIGHTIES

*To her
I am a coloured blur,
a just-heard voice,
as she sits there –
she hasn't any choice.*

*Life fades
like on-off hearing aids,
and in her sleep
the realler world
is dreaming, long and deep.*

*This now
needs living through somehow,
patience is all
and the time left,
though slow, is surely small.*

*I touch
the body changed so much,
she understands
some tenderness
through my bony arms and hands.*

*Contact
is joining and a fact;
we once were one,
and touching's how
all lovemaking gets done.*

IN the post-war years Gavin worked as an advertising copywriter and that experience is evident in this poem. The title is borrowed of course from Tennyson, who wrote his, rather more famous, poem in 1890.

CROSSING THE BAR

*My ambition is to live to be eighty,
To die quiet, surrounded by branded goods,
In perfect harmony like Oxo and Katie,
In a gamekeeper's cottage in the woods.*

*I want to drift towards my last Bournvita,
My children happy and a room of books
With their lined agony to make comfort sweeter,
Remembering the girls and their good looks.*

*I want all my employment to have been gainful,
My life to be free of angst and nuclear war,
And my last illness not to be terribly painful,
As I float in towards that distant shore.*

● If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: Poetry for Pleasure, Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedi@pemedi.co.uk

DON'T BE DAFT!

3 DAFT Monkeys weave world music influences around classic folk melodies and will be performing at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, February 19th at 8pm. With a line-up consisting of Fiddle (Athene), 12 String Guitar (Tim) and Bass (Jamie), the band create a stunning blend of upbeat, danceable music, which, despite all its world influences, remains undeniably British.

The band deserve immense credit for their unique style and their DIY approach to the music industry which has seen them sell thousands of copies of each of their previous 3 albums without the backing of any record labels or widespread media attention. Their reputation as one of the best live acts on the circuit has been earned from almost non-stop touring, whether that be on 40 date tours across the length and breadth of the UK, or playing to over 20,000 people at festivals

including Cropredy, which led to them receiving the rare honour of being invited back the following year.

Their latest album, "The Antiquated & The Arcane" draws heavily from 3 Daft Monkeys experiences on the road and takes the listener on a rollercoaster journey via the frenetic, the serene and the surreal. Named in homage to the band's local "Antiquated and the Arcane Society" where weird and wacky characters meet to talk about unusual or strange occurrences in Cornwall throughout history, it is an anthology of stories both shared with, and experienced by, the Monkeys.

Support for the gig comes from local group Papa Le Gal.

Tickets are available online at www.bridport-arts.com or from the Bridport Arts Centre box office on 01308 424204, priced £10, £9 members of the Arts Centre, £5 conc, additional £1 to reserve a seat in the balcony

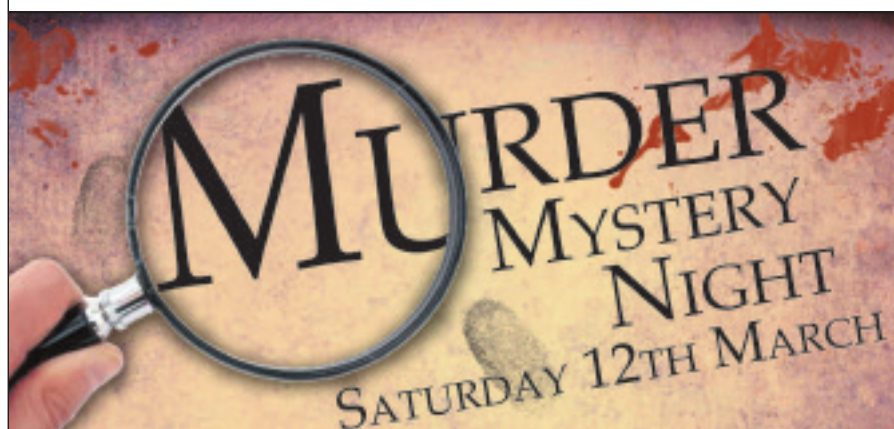


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— St David's Primary School, Exeter

Saturday 12th February, 3pm
£6; £4 full time education.

More upcoming shows:
Multimedia: **Jurassic Journey** Thursday 10th February, 8pm. £10
Classical: **The Blanchet Trio** (St Michael's Church) Thurs 10th Feb, 7.15pm. £12

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All main courses are served with dauphinoise potatoes and fresh market vegetables

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THIS WEEK'S NEW RELEASES

HEREAFTER ^{12A}

Clint Eastwood-directed Hereafter is a drama centered on three people who are haunted by mortality in different ways. George (Matt Damon) is a blue-collar American who has a special connection to the afterlife. On the other side of the world, Marie (Cecil de France), a French journalist, has a near-death experience that shakes her reality. And when Marcus (Frankie/George McLaren), a London schoolboy, loses the person closest to him, he desperately needs answers. Each on a path in search of the truth, their lives will intersect, forever changed by what they believe might-or must-exist in the hereafter.

BARNEY'S VERSION ¹⁵

Barney's Version looks at the life and memories of Barney Panofsky, a hard-drinking, cigar-smoking, foulmouthed 65-year old hockey fanatic and television producer, as he reflects on his life's successes and (numerous) gaffes and failures as the final chapters of his own existence come sharply into focus.

Starring Paul Giamatti, Dustin Hoffman and Rosamund Pike.



HOW DO YOU KNOW ^{12A}

After being cut from the USA softball team and feeling a bit past her prime, Lisa (Reese Witherspoon) finds herself evaluating her life and in the middle of a love triangle, as a corporate guy in crisis (Paul Rudd) competes with her current, baseball-playing beau (Owen Wilson). Jack Nicholson also stars



THE MECHANIC ¹⁵

Arthur Bishop (Jason Statham) is a 'mechanic' - an elite assassin with a strict code and unique talent for cleanly eliminating targets. It's a job that requires professional perfection and total detachment, and Bishop is the best in the business. But when his mentor and close friend Harry (Donald Sutherland) is murdered, Bishop is anything but detached. His next assignment is self-imposed - he wants those responsible dead. His mission grows complicated when Harry's son Steve (Ben Foster) approaches him with the same vengeful goal and a determination to learn Bishop's trade. Bishop has always acted alone but he can't turn his back on Harry's son. A methodical hit man takes an impulsive student deep into his world and a deadly partnership is born. But while in pursuit of their ultimate mark, deceptions threaten to surface and those hired to fix problems become problems themselves.



CINEMA LISTINGS

Friday, January 28th -
Thursday, February 3rd

ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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Arthur & The Great

Adventure ^{PG} Sat & Sun: 14.10

The King's Speech ^{12A}

Daily: 19.45, Plus Sat & Sun: 16.45

Plus Wed: 14.45

Eat Pray Love ^{12A} Thur: 10.30am

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www.plazadorchester.com

Tangled in 3D ^{PG}

Fri, Tue, Thur: 17.30, 20.00

Sat & Sun: 12.30, 15.00, 17.30,

20.00, Mon & Wed: 16.15, 18.30,

20.45

The King's Speech ^{12A}

Daily: 18.00, Plus Sat, Sun: 15.30,

Plus Mon, Wed: 14.00, 15.30

Gulliver's Travels ^{PG}

Sat & Sun: 13.20

The Dilemma ^{12A} Daily: 20.30

Black Swan ¹⁵

Daily: 17.40, 20.10, Plus Sat, Sun,

Mon, Wed: 15.10

Animals United ^U

Sat & Sun: 13.10

WEYMOUTH CINEWORLD

New Bond St, Weymouth
Tel: 0871 200 2000

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The King's Speech ^{12A}

Daily: 14.00, 16.50, 19.30

Plus Sun: 11.15

The Green Hornet in 3D ^{12A}

Daily: 14.20, 17.10, 20.00

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.30

Black Swan ¹⁵

Daily: 14.45, 17.15, 19.45

Plus Sat & Sun: 12.15

Morning Glory ^{12A}

Fri-Tue: 20.40

Little Fockers ^{12A}

Fri-Tue: 18.20

The Fighter ¹⁵

Wed & Thu: 18.30, 20.45

Hereafter ^{12A}

Daily: 14.30, 17.20, 20.10

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.40

How Do You Know ^{12A}

Daily: 15.20, 18.00, 20.40

Tangled Up in 2D ^{PG}

Daily: 13.30, 16.00

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.00

Tangled Up in 3D ^{PG}

Daily: 15.00, 17.30, 20.00

Plus Sat & Sun: 11.40, 12.30,

14.10

The Mechanic ¹⁵

Daily: 16.40, 18.50, 21.00

Plus Fri, Mon-Thu: 14.30

The Dilemma ^{12A}

Daily: 15.50, 18.20, 20.50

Plus Fri, Mon-Thu: 13.10

Gulliver's Travels in 3D ^{PG}

Sat & Sun: 10.30, 12.45

Harry Potter and the Deathly

Hallows part 1 ^{12A}

Sat & Sun: 12.30

Marmaduke ^U

Sat: 10.10

The Sorcerer's Apprentice ^{PG}

Sat: 10.05

Tinkerbell and the Great Fairy

Rescue ^U

Sat: 10.15

Breast Cancer LIFE exhibition at Lyme's Malthouse Gallery

BREAST Cancer LIFE, a touring exhibition of 46 life studies will be on display at The Malthouse Gallery in Lyme Regis on February 1st - 20th. The studies involve the use of charcoal, pencil, pastels and oils by Slade-trained artist Harriet Barber accompanied by two sculptures 'Women' by Greta Berlin and 'Red Boots in a Box'.

Beauty, femininity and self image are often deeply affected by the treatment women receive for breast cancer. Following her own diagnosis with breast cancer in 2008, Slade-trained artist Harriet Barber began to draw and paint women, who, like her, had received treatments including surgery, chemotherapy and radiotherapy. The exhibition raises awareness and communicates to a wider audience, recognising the strength of women who overcome illness and invasive surgery, demonstrating to those at the beginning of their journey through Breast Cancer, that there is a very positive life ahead. It gives hope to women who feel so

changed and demeaned following mastectomy, reconstruction or surgery and weakened by aggressive chemo and radiotherapy.

The organisers are very grateful to renowned sculptor Greta Berlin for allowing the 7ft steel armature and Jesmonite sculpture 'Woman', "a tribute to women who have undergone this huge change in their lives" and to the ceramicist Jenny George for the porcelain 'Red Boots in a Box' inspired by the iconic pastel 'Alison in Red Boots', to form part of Breast Cancer LIFE.

Breast Cancer LIFE is sponsored by Chris Rudge Renewable Power Systems Ltd (www.chrisrudge.co.uk - please see out advert on page 10) and Dorset Cereals(www.dorsetcereals.co.uk)

The exhibition will be open from February 1st - 20th, from 11am - 4pm daily (closed Mondays). Also on Saturday, February 5th between 12 and 4pm, there will be an opportunity to meet the artists.

The King comes to the Palace!

THE Electric Palace is delighted to announce that *The King's Speech* will be screened to coincide with the BAFTA Awards.

Already the winner of six awards including a Golden Globe for Best Actor, the King's Speech is being hailed as the best film of the year, irresistibly entertaining, witty and heartbreaking.

After the death of his father King George V (Michael Gambon) and the scandalous abdication of King Edward VIII (Guy Pearce), Bertie (Colin Firth) who has suffered from a debilitating speech impediment all his life, is suddenly crowned King George VI of England.

With his country on the brink of war and in desperate need of a leader, his wife, Elizabeth (Helena Bonham Carter), the future Queen Mother, arranges for her husband to see an eccentric speech therapist, Lionel Logue (Geoffrey Rush).

After a rough start, the two delve into an unorthodox course of treatment and eventually form an unbreakable bond. With the support of Logue, his family, his

government and Winston Churchill (Timothy Spall), the King will overcome his stammer and deliver a radio-address that inspires his people and unites them in battle.

The King's Speech is at the Electric Palace from Friday, February 11th - Thursday 17th at 7.30pm daily, except Saturday 12th & Thursday 17th when it shall be screened as a 1pm matinee only.

Cinema tickets are £4.50 and can be purchased from the Electric Palace 30 minutes before each screening.



Colin Firth and
Helena Bonham-Carter
in *The King's Speech*

life drawings

EXHIBITION

Breast Cancer LIFE

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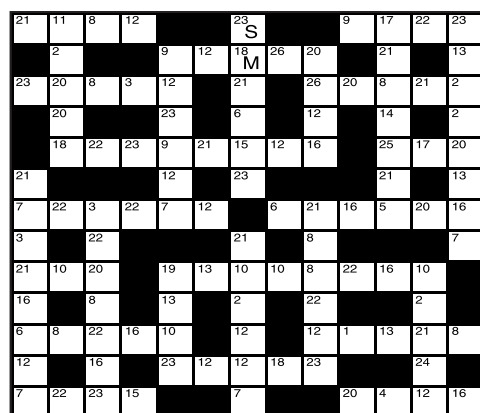
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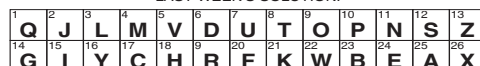
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:



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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

- He foresees support before the reform (7)
- Ideal group to play an eightsome reel? (5)
- Born in one Eastern land (3)
- Spoke in broken English? (9)
- Slight variation in silver and copper, perhaps (5,6)
- The boss's office (11)
- Policeman examines a piece of furniture (9)
- Sounds like a short-age of resin (3)
- Very serious position to end up in? (5)
- Rival bird is not on time (7)

Down

- Colour for putting on (5)
- Fitting a small point (3)
- Possibly felt it's not right (4)
- Diagrammatic form of catechism (9)
- Get even with Reg., perhaps? (7)
- Spanking vessels? (6)
- Imperturbable admission of inertia? (9)
- You've not been going straight if you have to make this up (6)
- Approves of indications of support (7)
- Forms groups of actors (5)
- Fabric that's stiff or limp (4)
- Really includes everything (3)

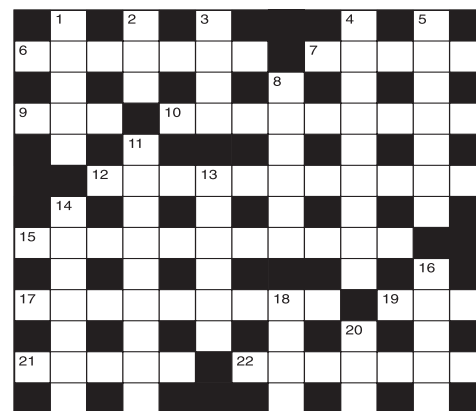
Quick Clues:

Across

- Income (7)
- Corner (5)
- Unadulterated (4)
- Owed (3)
- Decay (9)
- Fear (11)
- Incitement (11)
- Hanging (9)
- Strange (3)
- Hurl (5)
- Extol (7)

Down

- Planet (5)
- Fresh (3)
- Unadulterated (4)
- Contagion (9)
- Voter (7)
- Outlaw (6)
- Thrifty (9)
- Preserve with salt (6)
- Systematic (7)
- Enlighten (5)
- Unlikely (4)
- Skill (3)



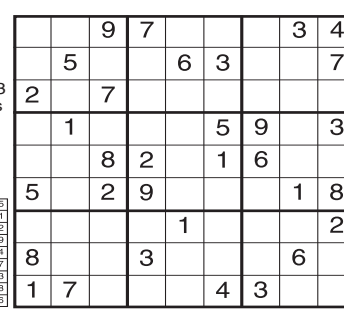
LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:

CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Stepping stone; 8 Organist; 9 Hewn; 10 Lights; 12 Threat; 14 By-pass; 16 Dures; 18 Chic; 20 Eurasian; 22 Prepressing. Down: 1 Eternity; 2 Splash; 3 Fili; 4 Agitated; 5 Elcher; 6 Snow; 11 Suspense; 13 Abstains; 15 Accept; 17 Resist; 19 Here; 21 Rued. QUICK - Across: 7 Confederation; 8 Untoward; 9 Earn; 10 Battle; 12 Badger; 14 Unfair; 16 Elated; 18 Hard; 20 Indicate; 22 Transgression. Down: 1 Mountain; 2 Effort; 3 Idea; 4 Credible; 5 Attend; 6 Poor; 11 Earnings; 13 Erection; 15 Ardent; 17 Accuse; 19 Awry; 21 Dies.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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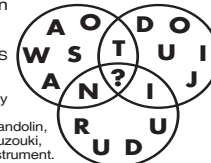
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Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 26TH

UPLYME: Talk: 'Secret World Of Violets' with Clive Groves of Groves Nursery. From 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society. Non members £2. Telephone 01297 444034 for more details.

DORCHESTER: Concert - Yetties and Casterbridge Male Voice Choir. At St Mary's Church, Edward Road at 7.30pm. Tickets from Dorchester Information Centre or Harmony Music for £8. Also available on the door.
LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Majorettes AGM at Halletts Court, Queens Walk. Starting at 7.30pm. All welcome.

THURSDAY JANUARY 27TH

BRADPOLE: Live Music: 'Vinyl Monkeys' at Bradpole Social Club from 9.30pm til late. Over 18s only.

FRIDAY JANUARY 28TH

BRIDPORT: Quiz Night at the Woodman Inn from 8pm. In aid of Bradpole pre-school. Telephone 01308 456668 for more details.

WEYMOUTH: Weymouth & Portland Breast Cancer Support Group presents a 'Ladies Night; a Moby Dick's on the seafloor. From 8pm. Tickets £10 on the door (or in advance by calling 01305 777697), and all proceeds go to Breakthrough Breast Cancer.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Cricket Club 125th Birthday and club Sign on evening from 7pm in the Cricket Club Pavilion at King George V Playing Fields. The first part of the evening will be an opportunity for the players to sign-on to join the club for the 2011 season. This will be followed by an evening of cricketing memories, anecdotes and convivial company. There will be a well stocked bar, a finger buffet and two hot chillis (one veggie). Tickets will be £5, half going to the club, and half covering the cost of food. Please email Club Chairman Paul Messer if you plan to attend paulandjune@uplyme.com

SATURDAY JANUARY 29TH

UPLYME: Barn Dance with 'Long Odds and Short Straws' at Uplyme Village Hall. Tickets £7.50 (under 12s £3.75) to include Ploughman's Supper from Uplyme Stores, Ginger Beer (Lyme Regis) or by calling 01297 444034. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society.

BRIDPORT: Coffee Morning with cake stall, raffle and tombola, to raise money for Portsmouth Neonatal unit, who helped Phoebe Cummings who was born 14 weeks early. From 10am - 12noon at Bridport United Church Hall. Organised by the Cummings family, telephone 01308 426413 for more details.

SUNDAY JANUARY 30TH

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM: Annual Farmhouse Breakfast at the Village Hall from 9am - 2.30pm. For more details call Sue on 01297 489375.

MAPPERTON, NEAR BEAMINSTER: Special 'Snowdrop Sunday'. An unusual chance to see the many beautiful snowdrops in the spring garden at Mapperton Gardens. Open to visitors from 11am - 4pm. Teas, coffees and cakes (no lunches) available in the Sawmill Cafe. Normal admission charges will be in place, but half the proceeds will go to the Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society, now named Perennial.

BRIDPORT: Autonomy film will be showing 'Workers Republic' at the St John's Ambulance Hall, Rax Lane from 7.30pm. Entrance is £3, refreshments and informed debate available.

MONDAY JANUARY 31ST

BRIDPORT: Illustrated Talk: 'Works of Art, Old and New - the work of the Art Fund' by Anthony Pugh-Thomas from 2.30pm at United Church Hall. A Golden Cap Centre presentation, members of the public welcome. For further details call 01308 863577.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

BRIDPORT: Bridport Disabled Carers & Friends Club meet from 9am - 12noon at Kings House, Kings Street

School, East Street. Wheelchair access and facilities. Tea and coffee. All welcome, handicraft activities, advice. Held every Tuesday. Telephone 01308 427819, 897364 or 421231 for more details.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

BRIDPORT: Green Teas - A regular monthly event at Red Brick Cafe (far corner of St Michael's Trading Estate, off St Michael's Lane) from 2-4pm. First Wednesday of every month. In a very homely setting where we encourage each other to think and act green. Locally produced refreshments on offer. All welcome.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

BRIDPORT: "Dragonflies", an illustrated by Andrew Brown from 7.30pm at Bridport United Church Hall, East Street. Organised by West Dorset Group of the Dorset Wildlife Trust. Telephone 01308 423442 for more details.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 5TH

DORCHESTER: Concert - Encore Singers / Dorian String Quartet at Dorchester United Church from 7.30pm. Organised by Action for Children Support Group. Telephone 01305 264759 for more details.

SOUTH PERROTT, BEAMINSTER: Live music: 'Equilateral' from 9pm at the Coach and Horses. Telephone 01935 891270 for more details.

UPLYME: Jumble Sale organised by Royal British Legion Women's Section, at the Uplyme Village Hall from 2pm. Raffle and refreshments.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 6TH

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 11TH

BRIDPORT: Friend of the Earth West Dorset are sponsoring a public meeting at St Mary's Church Hall to discuss the Energy Security and Green Bill. The meeting will take place at 7.30pm. Speakers include Oliver Letwin MP and Liz Hutchins, Friends of the Earth Parliamentary Campaigner. For more details call 01935 891415 for more details.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12TH

BRIDPORT: Valentine Coffee Morning with stalls at Bridport United Church, East Street from 10am - 12noon. In aid of Cancer Research UK. Telephone 01308 423037 for more details.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 13TH

DORCHESTER: Valentine's Fayre at Dorset County Museum from 10am - 3pm. Free entry. For more details visit www.vintagedorset.co.uk

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16TH

WEYMOUTH: In Conversation with Chris Lonergan, Rock Guitarist at Weymouth Library from 7.30pm. Organised by Friends of Weymouth Library. Telephone 01305 750557 for more details.

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THERE was disappointment among members of the Lyme Regis Town Band before Christmas when the snowy weather caused the cancellation of their annual Christmas concert. This was no doubt shared by many in the town and beyond.

By way of some compensation, the band will be repeating their very successful St George's Day Concert, held for the first time last year. Once again,

the Woodmead Hall will reverberate to the strains of 'Land of Hope and Glory' and those red and white flags will be waved with enthusiasm.

By happy coincidence St George's Day, April 23rd, falls this year on Easter Saturday. Band Secretary Gilly Warr commented 'apart from being the Easter holiday weekend, the concert is only a few days before the Royal Wedding. We are confident

that by the end of the evening, our audience will leave in a patriotic frame of mind, ready to celebrate the Royal Wedding on the 29th.'

The band will be playing a selection of English music and there will be a chance for the audience to shine in the community singing of well-loved songs, led this year by Mary Bowles. Richard Horobin will be welcomed back as compere for the evening's celebrations, which begin at 7.30.

Anyone still holding tickets for the Christmas Concert can contact Gilly Warr on 01297 442719 for a full refund of their face value, or they may be used for this concert.

Tickets are £5 each and available from Uplyme Post Office, Lyme Regis TIC, Primary Colours in Lyme Regis, any band member or by telephoning 01297 442719.



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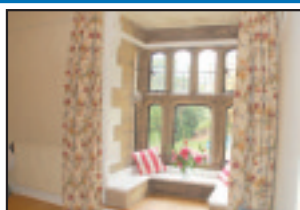
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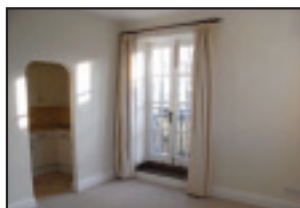
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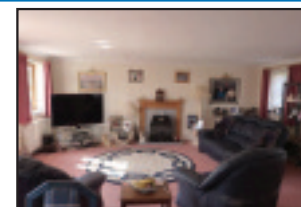
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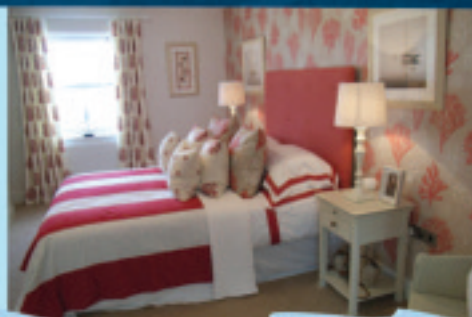
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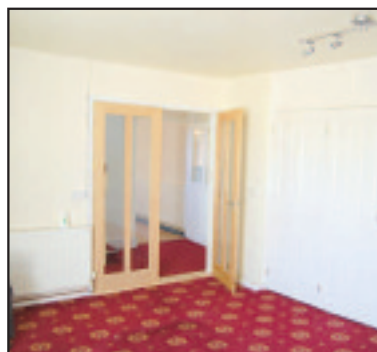
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CHARMOUTH - £385,000

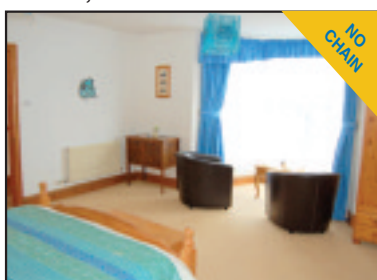
A spacious house with great development potential close to Village amenities and within walking distance of the beach. reception 1 - reception 2 - spacious kitchen / diner - utility room - study - cloakroom with W.C. - four bedrooms - bathroom - parking for two cars and small garden area - gas central heating - double glazing

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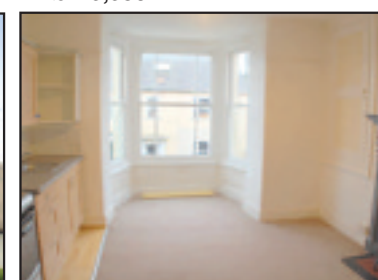
A delightful two bedroom detached period cottage with a south facing cottage garden. Set off the main street, the cottage is accessed through a Coaching Arch. Within walking distance of the village shops and Beach. The property would make an ideal holiday home. In need of modernising. Lounge with Woodburning Stove - Galley Kitchen - Bathroom - Two First Floor Bedrooms - Small Cottage Style Garden - Parking - Close to the Village Centre and Short Walk to the Beach and Sea.

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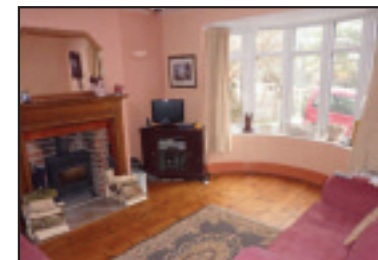
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LYME REGIS - £575,000

An individual detached house with views and large gardens situated along a desirable private drive to the western side of Lyme Regis. Porch – Entrance Hallway – Wc/Shower Room – Study – Kitchen – Utility Room – Dining Room – Lounge – Three Double Bedrooms – Bathroom – Carport – Garage – Driveway – Gardens – Greenhouse.

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UPLYME – £315,000

Hallway - Dining Room - Kitchen - Living Room - Sun Room - Wc - Master Bedroom With Ensuite Shower Room - Two Further Bedrooms - Bathroom - Parking - Garden.

LYME REGIS - £250,000

- Entrance Hall - Living Room - Kitchen Area - Two Bedrooms - Bathroom - Private Patio - Parking - Communal Gardens - Holiday Letting Permitted.

LYME REGIS - £249,950

- Ground Floor - Two Bedrooms One Ensuite - Kitchen - Living Area - Bathroom - Parking - Communal Gardens - Door Entry System - Walking Distance To Town - Private Patio

HARCOMBE ROAD - £445,000

Entrance Hall - Lounge - Dining Room - Kitchen - Utility - Cloakroom - Study/Bedroom Four - Master Bedroom With Ensuite Shower Room - Double Bedroom With Dressing Room - Further Bedroom - Family Bathroom - Garage - Parking - Gardens - Upvc Double Glazing - Oil Fired Central Heating.

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WINSHAM - £225,000

- Entrance Hall - Lounge - Kitchen/Diner - Downstairs Wc - Three Bedrooms - Family Bathroom - Garage - Gardens - Courtyard - Parking

UPLYME - £450,000

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LYME REGIS - £134,950

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Bridport - £135,000 (OIEO)

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New Instruction



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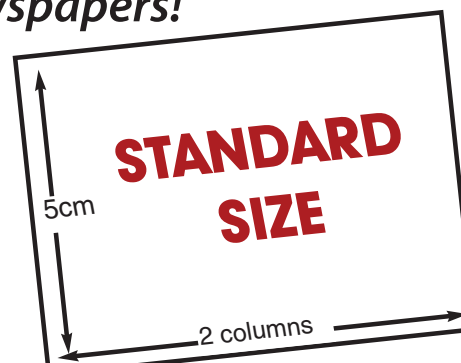
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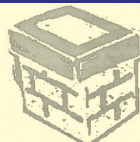
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ON TOP of its attractive, recently-lowered prices by up to £2,000 on many of its most popular versions, Renault has launched an exciting new limited edition, Bizu, to tempt customers looking for even greater value for money.

Available until June, the limited edition versions run across the Twingo, Clio, Mégane and Scénic ranges, with austerity measure-busting prices up to £3,870 lower than the entry-level versions of the same model. The Twingo 1.2 16V 75 for example, is available for only £6,595, a full £2,300 lower than the standard Expression.

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Autocar strikes twice with digital media

AUTOCAR, the world's most recognised and respected motoring brand, starts 2011 by introducing two new digital media platforms: iPad apps and a full, weekly digital edition via Zinio.com.

Chas Hallett, Autocar editor, said: "Autocar.co.uk is a popular digital brand with global appeal and we want to ensure that our international audience can reach us in whatever format they want."

The first Autocar iPad app - Autocar: Fast Cars - is now available for download from the Apple App Store, priced £2.99. The Autocar: Fast Cars app brings Autocar to life, allowing the user to get up close and personal with 20 of the world's most desirable cars including the iconic Bugatti Veyron, Ferrari 458 Italia and the Aston V12 Vantage. Two more Autocar apps are currently under development for release in spring 2011.

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The Autocar: Fast Cars app has been created using only brand new content devised specially for the Apple

iPad and features in-depth drives of the top 20 performance cars, as chosen by the Autocar team. The app, which currently has a 4 1/2 * rating on the Apple App Store creates a unique experience, as images are transformed into full-screen galleries, video adds depth to traditional reviews, and road tester vox-pops, engine noises and pop-ups all bring the cars to life.

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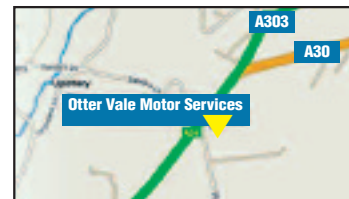
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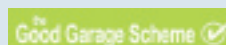
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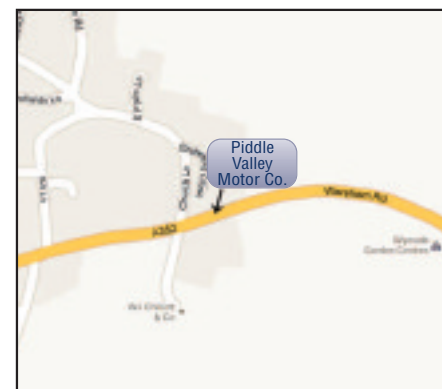
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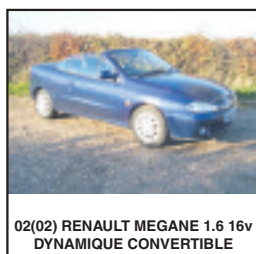
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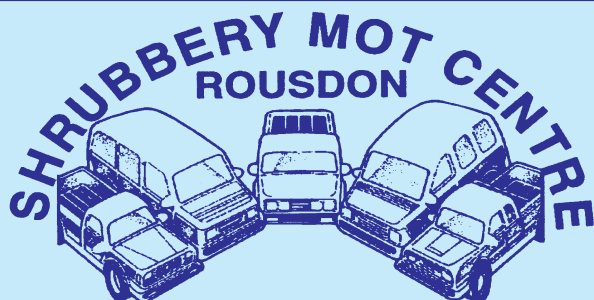
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JACK VENN CUP - Round One
Shepton Beau 5 Pymore 0

TWICE winners Pymore (1983-84, 2004-05) crashed out at the first hurdle of the Jack Venn cup as they were hammered 5-0 by in-form Shepton Beauchamp for the second time this season.

S.Petherton Res 3 Chard Rangers 0

GOALS from Mark Padfield, Dan Rogers and Owen Jary saw South Petherton Reserves book a quarter-final tie at Forton Rangers Reserves.

PREMIER

Beaminster 1 Merriott Rovers 1

AFTER completely bossing the game Beaminster threw away two crucial points as they were hit by a classic late sucker punch at the Memorial Ground.

All appeared to be going to plan in the 20th minute when Dean Newman found the net for the sixth game in succession.

But ultimately the Rainbows paid the price for failing to take a host of good chances and Josh Thomason, back from an 18-month spell with Normalair in the Yeovil & District League struck to earn Merriott a point and a return to the top of the Division.

Beaminster manager Sean Annetts was far from happy with his team's performance, he said: "We lacked conviction in the final third and were made to pay. Hopefully this will serve as a lesson which we must learn if we are to be serious title contenders."

Lyme Regis 5 Combe Reserves 1

FOR half an hour there was little to choose between reigning champions

Lyme and bottom-of-the-table Combe Reserves at the Davey Fort.

Top scorer Julien Simier missed a golden chance to head the Seaside into a first minute lead. At the other end Matt Laing did well to clear a Rob Glentworth effort off the line whilst Lyme skipper Adam Caddy was similarly denied with a header from a corner.

With anxiety beginning to creep into the Lyme game, it took an incisive run from defender Dom Rowe in the 34th minute to eventually force the opener. Rowe surged deep into the Combe half before unloading to Simier who finished with aplomb.

Four minutes later it was 2-0 when Simier again conjured up a composed finish and Lyme took control.

The result was sealed in the 41st minute when winger Rob Thomson weaved in from his left flank leaving Saints defenders in his wake before smashing the ball high into the net for the pick of the goals.

Talk of eight, nine or 10 amongst the Davey Fort faithful proved unfounded after the restart. Simier somehow contrived to miss another one yard header on the hour but Mark Bailey floated home an angled free-kick soon after to kick-start another period of Lyme dominance.

Frenchman Simier did eventually complete his hat-trick 20 minutes from time with a fine diving header following a pinpoint cross from Joel Gostling.

Combe did eventually deny keeper Ashley Caddy and his defenders a clean sheet when Stuart Bicknell fired home for a goal their battling display deserved.

Top performers for Lyme were wingers Thomson and youngster Harvey Brimicombe who looks an exciting prospect.

DIVISION ONE

Charmouth 0 Perry Street Res 4

CHARMOUTH failed to build on last week's fine 3-2 win against Norton and came crashing back down to earth with a 4-0 defeat at the hands of visiting Perry

Street Reserves who completed a league double over the Robins.

Millwey Rise 10 Lyme Regis Res 1

LYME Reserves had a day to forget as they shipped double figures for what is believed to be the first time in more than 15 years.

Adam Whitehouse opened the floodgates as early as the second minute and went on to help himself to four.

Sam Dibbling, rumoured to be returning to the Royal Marines side in the Peninsula League Premier division, underlined his obvious class with a hat-trick to take his tally for the season to 17.

Singles from Mike Knight, in his last game before returning to Axminster Town, and player-manager Shane Featherstone and an unfortunate own goal from Ally Rattenbury rounded off the Millwey scoring. Luke Street bundled home a late, and very low key, consolation.

Thorncombe 3 Netherbury 5

NETHERBURY twice came from behind before sealing a battling three points at Thorncombe's Horseshoe Lane.

Nick Gray put the Thorns ahead after some comical defending by the Ambers only for John Kingston to level with a speculative shot that squirmed under giant keeper Andrew Sochoan.

More poor defending described as 'schoolboyish' by Netherbury manager Andy Loudon handed the hosts a 2-1 half-time lead through Karl Smith.

A minute after the restart top-scorer Tim Hussey equalised and the visitors never looked back. Hussey struck again to put his side ahead for the first time before being tripped in the area which allowed Dan Rawlings to extend the lead from the penalty spot. Soon after Hussey rounded-off a fine hat-trick and moved up to 21 for the season with a 35-yard screamer.

John Smith netted a late third for the Thorns to complete the scoring.

Winsham United 3 Norton Athletic 0

WINSHAM United retained their three point lead at the top of the table with goals from Tom Stead (2) and Henry Broome in a comfortable 3-0 win over struggling Norton.

DIVISION TWO

Crewkerne Rangers 1 Uplyme 2

UPLYME manager Rob Coombe was left purring after his side's superb 2-1 win at Crewkerne Rangers.

Rangers struck the woodwork twice in a goal less first-half but once Gavin Fowler broke the deadlock ten minutes after the restart with his 12th goal of the season the Swallows took control with central midfielders Jacques Verhaeren and Robbie Fellingham outstanding in a 4-5-1 formation.

The hosts equalised in the 70th minute when the ball was stabbed home from a corner awarded after Uplyme 'keeper Lloyd Cleal had tipped a rasping 30-yarder over the bar.

But substitute Dan Prendeville popped up to convert a similar chance at the other end and Uplyme had their win and moved up a place to fifth. Coombe hasn't given up on promotion but feels that success in one of the three knock-out cups may be a more realistic chance of success.

DIVISION THREE

Lyme Bantams 1 Winsham Utd Res 6

A FIRST-HALF goal from Rob Mackenzie was the highlight for Lyme Bantams as they were hammered 6-1 by bottom-of-the-table Winsham United Reserves at Venlake.

Top performer for the Seaside in a very disappointing performance was right-back Rob Greenwood.

DIVISION FOUR

Waytown Hounds 4 Combe B 1

A SOLID showing from the back four formed the basis of Waytown Hounds' 4-1 win over Combe B at Netherbury.

An early Danny Dunford goal set the ball rolling for the Hounds whose lead was doubled by Ethan Guppy's second goal of the season. The Saints pulled one back on the half hour but a second-half double from Tom Rutland saw the Hounds scamper up



TOP SCORER: Julien Simier's hat-trick for Lyme Regis means he's now joint top scorer in the Premier with 16.



DOUBLE: Tom Rutland scored twice in the second-half as Waytown Hounds moved up to third in Division Four.

two places to third.

Manager Mark Hughes picked out right back Mike Whitbread as his Man-of-the-Match.

JACK VENN CUP - Round One

Shepton Beauchamp 5 Pymore 0
South Petherton Res 3 Chard Rangers 0

PREMIER

Beaminster 1 Merriott Rovers 1

Lyme Regis 5 Combe Reserves 1

DIVISION ONE

Charmouth 0 Perry Street Reserves 4

Millwey Rise 10 Lyme Regis Reserves 1

Thorncombe 3 Netherbury 5

Winsham United 3 Norton Athletic 0

DIVISION TWO

Crewkerne Rangers 1 Uplyme 2

Forton Rangers Reserves 2 Hinton 2

DIVISION THREE

Combe A 5 Drimpton 0

Crewkerne Town Reserves 3 Luso-Chard 0

Lyme Bantams 1 Winsham Utd Res 6

DIVISION FOUR

Hinton Reserves 2 Thorncombe Res 1

Waytown Hounds 4 Combe B 1

FIXTURES

Thursday, January 27th

JOHN FOWLER CUP FINAL

(at Bridport FC, 7pm ko)

Misterton Res v Winsham United Res

Saturday, January 29th

DEVON INTERMEDIATE CUP - EAST S/F

arway United v Exmouth Town Res

ARTHUR GAGE CUP - Round One

Lyme Regis Reserves v Winsham United

Millwey Rise v Norton Athletic

PREMIER

Beaminster v Ilminster Reserves

Combe Reserves v Perry Street

Merriott Rovers v South Petherton

W & M Chinnock v Misterton

DIVISION ONE

Crewkerne Town v Ilminster Town Colts

Netherbury v Charmouth

Perry Street Reserves v Forton Rangers

DIVISION TWO

Chard Rangers v Beaminster Reserves

Forton Rangers Res v Crewkerne Rangers

Pymore v Dowlish & Donnyatt

Shepton Beauchamp v Hinton

| PREMIER | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---------------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Merriott Rovers | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 39 | 21 | 25 |
| South Petherton | 8 | 8 | 0 | 40 | 8 | 24 | |
| Beaminster | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 6 | 22 |
| Lyme Regis | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 11 | 19 |
| Ilminster Town Res. | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 12 | |
| Barrington | 11 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 24 | 33 | 10 |
| Misterton | 10 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 16 | 34 | 9 |
| Farway United | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 20 | 24 | |
| Perry Street | 8 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 11 | 20 | 5 |
| W & M Chinnock | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 14 | 35 | 5 |
| Combe Res | 13 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 17 | 41 | 4 |

| DIV ONE | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|----------------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Winsham United | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 36 | 10 | 27 |
| Netherbury | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 32 | 16 | 24 |
| Millwey Rise | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 39 | 12 | 19 |
| Crewkerne Town | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 35 | 12 | 19 |
| Perry Street | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 26 | 24 | 19 |
| Forton Rangers | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 23 | 25 | 14 |
| Thorncombe | 13 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 24 | 39 | 10 |
| Ilminster Town Colts | 11 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 24 | 38 | 10 |
| Norton Athletic | 12 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 21 | 38 | 10 |
| Lyme Regis Res | 10 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 15 | 31 | 5 |
| Charmouth | 11 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 11 | 41 | 3 |

| DIV TWO | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|--------------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Beaminster Res | 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 39 | 16 | 23 |
| Dowlish & Donnyatt | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 36 | 19 | 22 |
| Shepton Beau | 10 | 5 | 0 | 27 | 9 | 20 | |
| Hinton Reserves | 11 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 27 | 22 | 19 |
| Uplyme | 12 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 25 | 29 | 17 |
| Crewkerne Rangers | 12 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 32 | 32 | 17 |
| South Peth Res | 11 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 24 | 25 | 14 |
| Pymore | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 25 | 34 | 14 |
| Hawkchurch United | 11 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 23 | 37 | 10 |
| Chard Rangers | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 22 | 45 | 5 |
| Forton Rangers Res | 11 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 19 | 51 | 5 |

| DIV THREE | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|--------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| Crewkerne Reserves | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 51 | 23 | 25 |
| Misterton Res | 9 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 39 | 16 | 25 |
| Luso-Chard | 10 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 48 | 20 | 21 |
| Chard United | 10 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 35 | 20 | 19 |
| Combe A | 12 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 30 | 31 | 17 |
| Lyme Bantams | 13 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 25 | 34 | 11 |
| Farway Utd Res | 11 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 16 | 47 | 11 |
| Drimpton | 10 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 13 | 45 | 9 |
| Winsham United Res | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 24 | 32 | 7 |
| Millwey Rise Res | 10 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 29 | 5 |

| DIV FOUR | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| Hinton Reserves | 11 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 42 | 18 | 28 |
| W & M Chinnock Res | 9 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 58 | 19 | 21 |
| Waytown Hounds | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 28 | 20 | 19 |
| Shepton Reserves | 11 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 30 | 30 | 19 |
| Combe B | 11 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 33 | 35 | 18 |
| Chard United Res | 11 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 30 | 32 | 16 |
| Ilminster Town A | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 35 | 24 | 11* |
| Barrington Reserves | 9 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 24 | 26 | 11 |
| Thorncombe Res | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 14 | 29 | 10 |
| Hawkchurch Res | 12 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 17 | 49 | 6 |
| Chard Rangers Res | 10 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 15 | 44 | 3 |

(* = POINT DEDUCTED)

S.Peth Res v Hawkhchurch

DIVISION THREE

Combe A v Luso-Chard

Farway Utd Res v Crewk Res

Lyme Bantams v Millwey Res

Misterton Res v Drimpton

Winsham Res v Chard United

DIVISION FOUR

Chard Utd Res v Waytown H

Hawk Res v Shepton Res

Hinton Res v W&M Chinn Res

Ilminster A v Barrington Res

Thorn Res v Chard Rang Res

YOUNG
SEASIDERS
HIT 17!

Lyme Regis U11
17 Colyton 5

FINLAY Maclean scored nine times as Lyme under 11s thrashed Colyton 17-5. Other scorers were; Dominic Bearwood (4), Henry Davy (2), Robbie Fowler, Luke Johnson.

Lyme U13 6
Weymouth FC 1

THE young Seaside hit Weymouth FC for six in the coastal derby at the Davey Fort.

Brad Rowe (2), James Souter-Phillips (2), Declan Ellis and Richie Legg scored for Lyme.

Lyme Regis skittles

LADIES - Results; Wild Pins 252 La Creme 300 (A.Gillings 57), Rollercoasters 319 Do A Balls 312 (M.Bond 61), Deano's Divas 267 Hot Gossips 289 (E.Blackmore 56), Oh So Georgious 277 Just Us 279 (J.Fowler 58), Generations 341 Smashers 327 (A.Rattenbury 65).

| | P | W | D | L | Pts | BL |
|------------------|----|---|---|----|-----|----|
| Wootton Wobblers | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 16 |
| Rollercoasters | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 10 |
| Hot Gossips | 11 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 16 | 8 |
| Smashers | 11 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 14 |
| Do A Ball's | 11 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 16 |
| La Creme | 11 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 14 |
| Just Us | 11 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 10 |
| Generations | 11 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| Wild Pins | 11 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| Oh So Georgious | 11 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 12 |
| Deano's Divas | 11 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 2 |

MENS DIVISION ONE; Marksmen 365 Roadrunners 330 (A.Stevens 77), Wreckers 366 Hot Rocks 359 (M.Batey 79), No Hoppers 363 Skippy's Six 247 (P.Liston 69), Flyers 324 Cowboys 316 (K.Bailey 64), Anhill Mob 340 Rousdon Rebels 346 (P.Bright 67).

| | P | W | D | L | Pts | BL |
|----------|----|---|---|---|-----|----|
| Marksmen | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 12 |

| | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|
| No Hoppers | 9 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 10 |
| Roadrunners | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 7 |
| Wreckers | 9 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 10 | 8 |
| Hot Rocks | 10 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 7 |
| Skippy's Six | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| Anhill Mob | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 6 |
| Cowboys | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 4 |
| Flyers | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 16 |
| Rousdon Rebels | 9 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 9 |

MENS DIVISION TWO; Clueless 340 Shakers 290 (T.Holmes 65), Young Guns 351 Skittle Me Timbers 364 (C.Keefe 69), Miscellaneous 360 Trappers 369 (S.Case 73), Alley Twits 316 Presidents Men 324 (P.Hodder, J.Moseley 63), Sherberts 327 Wootton Tornadoes 316 (L.Baker 80).

| | P | W | D | L | Pts | BL |
|-------------------------|----|---|---|---|-----|----|
| Clueless..... | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 4 |
| Sherberts..... | 8 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 4 |
| Alley Twits..... | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 11 | 8 |
| Wootton Tornadoes..... | 9 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 11 | 6 |
| Skittle Me Timbers..... | 9 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 10 | 12 |
| Young Guns..... | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 18 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 10 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Preisdents Men..... | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 6 |
| Trappers..... | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 4 |
| Shakers..... | 8 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 8 |

WEST DORSET FOOTBALL

WITH STUART BROOM

TROPHY RUN ENDS AT BORO'

Trophy misery for Magpies

EASTBOURNE BOROUGH 1
DORCHESTER TOWN 0

FA Trophy 2nd Round replay - Att: 487

A LATE goal from experienced striker Richard Pacquette sent Dorchester Town's hopes of cup glory tumbling at Priory Lane last Tuesday.

After being mugged when Neil Jenkins scored an equaliser just a minute from normal time at The Avenue three days earlier, they may well feel they had missed their chance of ousting their Blue Square Premier opponents from the FA Trophy.

However having outfought them in the first encounter, they came under extreme pressure in the first-half of the replay as Eastbourne showed some of the form that had deserted them in recent weeks.

Magpies keeper Regan Coward was the busiest man on the field as he brought off a number of excellent saves, most notably from his own teammate James Coutts who inadvertently caused him problems with a miscued clearance. Eastbourne also claimed an early penalty that was waved away.

Although the Magpies improved after the break it was Eastbourne that still held the upper hand, and Pacquette was unlucky with a lob over Coward that came back off the far post.

Dorchester's first real chance came just before the hour when Nick Crittenden who bagged a brace in the first encounter motored past two home defenders but then spooned his shot wide of the post with just keeper Rikki Banks to beat.

This gave them confidence and it was their turn to be out of luck with fifteen minutes left when Gary Bowles struck the crossbar.

Almost immediately Pacquette grabbed the goal that would decide the match albeit a scruffy effort. Matt Crabb's right wing cross found Jenkins on the far post, and although he scuffed his effort, Pacquette swooped to fire home from eight yards.

Frustration got the better of Neil Martin soon after and he was dismissed for a second bookable offence making it a miserable night for the Magpies.

Spitfires shoot down Magpies again

EASTLEIGH 3 DORCHESTER TOWN 0

Blue Square South - Att: 558

DORCHESTER Town manager Ashley Vickers was looking to avenge the 4-0 home defeat back in August when his side travelled to the Silverlake Stadium for the return fixture, but although his side produced a much better performance they were still soundly beaten.

The Magpies defence, mean in the lead up to Christmas, has been struggling since the enforced break and had conceded ten goals already this month going into the fixture. Unfortunately two individual errors and a third goal with the last kick of the match as Dorchester were chasing the game added to their woes.

Tom Jordan gave the Spitfires the lead on 16 minutes, heading home Richard Graham's corner, who then added a second eight minutes later.

Dorchester improved after the break and home keeper Gareth Barfoot had to be alert on more than one occasion as Nathan Walker, Ryan Moss, Kyle Critchell and Nick Crittenden all went close.

A goal might have put a different complexion on the game, but with Dorchester committed, Eastleigh broke and with the last kick of the match, former Spurs man Jamie Slabber rubbed salt into the wound.

Martyrs find Bees soft spots

BRIDPORT 0 MERTHYR TOWN 3

Toolstation Division One - Att: 253

THIS top of the table clash proved an anticlimax after Bridport conceded three soft goals in the first half, which checked their assault on promotion from the Toolstation Western league First Division.

A Ryan Hayter own goal, a deflected shot and a defensive slip from skipper Darren Lock gave the Welsh visitors a comfortable interval lead, and despite a concerted second half effort from the Bees, Merthyr had no real problems in claiming the points.

Bridport suffered a second blow to their team selection when Jamie Symes failed a fitness test on a groin injury on Friday morning. With Ryan Dovell already missing on his belated honeymoon, it meant they went into the most important game of the season so far without their top two goalscorers.

As a result manager Trevor Senior was forced to revert to a 4-5-1 formation with Shane Evans as the lone striker. He also recalled Darren Watts after completing his suspension and Matt Condliffe.

The stocky Craig Steins had the first chance of the match on seven minutes when he failed to connect fully with a right wing cross and keeper Sam Filkins diving to his left comfortably held his volley.

However a minute later the Bridport defence were not so fortunate when Steins was allowed to advance to the angle of the penalty area.

Hayter trying to cut out his driven cross cum shot could only divert it towards goal, and whilst Filkins did well to change direction and parry the ball, he could not stop it squirming under his body and dribbling over the line.

The game was fiercely contested despite it not being of the highest quality, with both sides realising what was at stake, and a minute later the first of several incidents that led to a number of bookings occurred when Hayter brought down Steins close to the touchline.

In the melee that ensued involving a number of players from both sides, the Bridport defender was booked along with Merthyr's Marcus Griffiths for pushing over Evans. Steins who appeared to strike Hayter in the face in retaliation, causing a nose-bleed, escaped at minimum a yellow card, with no caution at all.

On 23 minutes the visitors increased their lead when Lock tripped midfielder Kris Leek just outside the box, for which he also received a booking. Filkins started to move to the right to cover former Cardiff City and Dorchester Town midfielder Tarik Khalil's resultant free-kick, but was wrong footed when the ball deflected off Dan Wise and looped into the opposite corner of the net.

Wise responded almost immediately with a curling shot from 25-yards just wide of the right hand upright, before Watts could only find Merthyr keeper Joe Perry's midriff from 35 yards.

Bridport produced one of the few quality moves of the match on 36 minutes when Adam Symes, who had an impressive game, Chris Clarke and Matt Condliffe combined down the left before Symes cut into the box. However Perry rushed from his goal to parry the full backs angled shot and the ball was hacked clear.

A goal then would have meant game on again, but soon after the Bees gifted Merthyr a third that effectively put the game beyond their reach.

Filkins, receiving Chris Senior's back pass, played the ball out to Lock who slipped in trying to move it on to Symes, allowing Griffiths to run on and easily slot beyond Filkins.

Senior reverted to a 4-4-2 formation after the break, pushing son Chris up front to partner Tristan Gale who replaced the injured Evans two minutes after the restart, and the Bees immediately began to find more impetus going forward.

However it was Merthyr, a strong, robust side, who next came nearest to scoring in a concerted spell of pressure that highlighted why Senior is anxious to ensure Filkins stays with Bridport rather than rejoins Dorchester Town.

After turning a vicious inswinging corner over the bar for another on the right side, he got down to parry Leek's well struck shot through a crowd of players, before superbly holding Ryan Prosser's close range volley after the ball had broken to him.

In the next minute he stretched to his left to turn Steins well placed curling shot from the angle of the penalty area away for another corner.

Although Bridport pressurised the Merthyr defence much more in the second half, they did not really test Perry, and the game became littered with a number of mainly petty and retaliatory bookings.

The introduction of Dan Peart raised the tempo and he showed maturity and confidence way beyond his tender years; anxious for the ball and producing a number of teasing and accurate crosses.

Leek set up Griffiths to force Filkins into one last sprawling save; whilst Bridport's worthy man-of-the-match Watts almost got a consolation in added time with a rasping shot that was blocked close to the line by Merthyr's skipper Steve Williams.

The defeat leaves Bridport ten points behind their opponents in third place albeit with two games in hand on both Merthyr and second place Oldland Abbotonians who are six points ahead of them.

Terras off the bottom

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN 1

WEYMOUTH 2

Zamaretto Premier - Att: 164

MATT Groves in the past so often the attention of abuse by Weymouth fans in a black and white shirt, must have had many Terras fans rubbing their hands with glee when he put his on-loan club on the way to victory with a goal.

'Groover' joined the Terras on a month's loan last week from local rivals Dorchester Town, and in his first game struck the equaliser a minute from the break that saw Weymouth record their first victory following four defeats; a win that lifts them off the bottom of the Zamaretto Premier League for the first time this season, albeit on goal difference.

The hosts had taken a 16th minute lead through Danny May who scored from 20 yards after could approach play from skipper Steve Butler and Jeff Hammond, but the Terras did not capitulate as they have so many times this season, but went looking for an equaliser.

Groves showed his predatory instincts just before the break when Tudors keeper Michael McEntergart failed to deal with Alex Halloran's corner, and the striker pounced to score from close range.

Weymouth once again had to thank keeper Tom Manley for keeping them in the game in the second-half as he thwarted the home forwards with some outstanding saves. They were also grateful to see Matt McEntergart's shot from May's free-kick strike the crossbar.

They stole all the points in the 81st minute when Warren Byerley struck his 17th goal of the season with another superb effort, this time guiding Jamie Beasley's cross, following a good run down the flank, beyond Michael McEntergart

with a header at the near post.

Manley was called into action once more to deny Dennis Fenimore in the dying minutes but the Terras held on for only their second away win of the season and give the club a massive lift after all the turmoil of the past week.

Bulman double seals Bees victory

BLANDFORD UTD 0 BRIDPORT RES 4

BRIDPORT Reserves took another step towards safety and shaking off their embarrassment of their thumping by Portland United three weeks ago with a comprehensive victory over Blandford United.

The win, their second in a row, moved them above their opponents with Carl Bulman giving a sparkling display on the wing capped by a brace of goals.

After an uncertain start where they conceded a couple of dangerous free kicks and corners, they settled down and produced some good openings of their own before they went ahead with a dubious penalty awarded when Chris Symes was upended. Chris Herbst scored from the resultant spot kick.

"I think we were a little fortunate in the decision, but the half-time lead was a fair reflection of our dominance," said joint manager Steve Crabb.

Bulman increased the Bees lead early in the second half when he outpaced the home keeper to a pass back and rolled the ball home.

He scored his second and Bridport's third when he converted at the far post, before Ben Clarke rounded off the scoring five minutes from the end, neatly finishing from 10 yards.

"I think the Portland result was a wake-up call for the lads and we have played much better in our two games since. We were expected to beat Sturminster Newton, but Blandford are in that little group in the lower middle area like us who we need to be beating.

"I thought Gary Bulman and Chris Herbst were outstanding on the wings today, especially in the first half, and the result was a fair reflection of our superiority. We have Portland again this Saturday, so I hope the lads will show me that it was a freak result."

◆ *Bridport Thirds' game against Mere Town was abandoned after 30 minutes as the referee deemed the ground unfit due to frozen areas in the goalmouth at St Mary's Playing Field.*

Manager Jason Forbes said: "He warned us before the game began that he was uncomfortable with the goal areas which whilst muddy were hard underneath. Lee Cuff bruised his knee in the first minute when he went down to save so all in all I think it was the right decision.

"We were 1-0 down at the time and they were laying siege on our goal so that was a bonus."

Bridport U11 2 Portland 5

PORTLAND finally beat Bridport at their seventh attempt with what on paper looked a comprehensive win, but was not as clear cut as the score line suggests.

Despite having the majority of the play in the first-half, Bridport found themselves two goals down from their visitors' only two attacks.

Portland added another soon after the break before Bridport finally upped their game, and goals from Jaydon Scadding and Dane James had the visitors hanging on.

Unfortunately this left them vulnerable at the back and they conceded two more to give Portland a flattering win.

Manager Mark Scadding said: "The lads should be proud of their early domination of the game and their never say die attitude at the end."

BOB BUCKLER
RACINGGood start for
Ashbourne Folly

ASHBOURNE Folly made his racing debut at Taunton last week in the bumper finishing a creditable eight.

Bob Buckler said of the five-year-old: "It was a brilliant run for a big baby. He was up well with the leaders early on but lost ground on the final bend where the going was testing, and being a big horse he found the bend a bit tight. But he ran on at the finish and we are really pleased with him.

"He will have one more run this season on a galloping track."

Old campaigner, 11-year-old **River Indus** was having the 43rd race of his career and maintained his ratio of finishing half of them in the frame with a fine second to Rudinero in testing conditions in the Shoreditch Handicap Chase over 3 miles three furlongs.

He was staying on for third when Glebehall Bay who was challenging the winner fell three from home, leaving him to take second by a neck from Lavenoak Lad.

Double Dizzy has only fallen once in 52 races (in last year's Irish Grand National) maintained the record at Wincanton on Saturday, but did give Andrew Glassonbury a fright at the fourth fence in the Bathwick Tyres Taunton Handicap Chase when he badly blundered after taking off too early.

However they stayed together and although dropping to the back of the field ran on strongly to finish fifth.

"He's a bit of a monkey, and likes it his own way, and when he hit the fence he was reluctant to race for a while, but he came back well and stayed on at the finish."

Unfortunately **The Sawyer** put a flint through his foot two weeks ago which meant he missed three or four days work which was probably the difference between sixth place and a top three finish in the victorchandler.com Handicap Chase at Ascot which he won last year.

"He finished a bit stuffy which was probably because he missed his work. He's a big horse but he stayed on well, but is the victim of the handicapper as well as he was carrying more than a stone than last year's race."

He will now go again on Saturday at Cheltenham in either the £90k Grade 2 Argento Chase over 3 miles 1 furlong, or the £40k Grade 3 Murphy Group Handicap Chase over 2 miles 5 furlongs.

Lyme Regis Pool League

RESULTS from Sunday, January 23rd.

Pairs KO Cup.

Rockpoint Winners;
O.Parkinson & M.Herbert,
Hunters Lodge winners;
A.Rice & T.Edwards, Cobb
Arms winners; A.Perdon &
J.Chestney, Nags Head winners;
J.Denslow & B.Middle-
week.

| | P | Pts | BL |
|--------------------|----|-----|----|
| Cobb B..... | 12 | 84 | 57 |
| Old Cobbies..... | 12 | 79 | 50 |
| Rock A..... | 12 | 73 | 50 |
| Nags Trotters..... | 12 | 56 | 41 |
| Pot Nots..... | 11 | 54 | 31 |
| Hunters Lodge..... | 11 | 51 | 34 |
| BT Potters..... | 12 | 47 | 29 |
| Beardogs..... | 12 | 43 | 32 |
| Pool.com..... | 12 | 39 | 26 |
| Brotherhoods..... | 12 | 40 | 28 |
| George A..... | 12 | 22 | 13 |

Silver for Blake at World Champs

DORCHESTER'S Paul Blake has struck silver in his first event at the IPC World Championships in Auckland, New Zealand.

The 21-year-old completing in his first major international took a hard-fought silver medal in the T36 1500m and looked like he might win it with 200m to go, but was eventually beaten by Russia's Artem Arefyev, the experienced World Record holder and multiple Paralympic Games gold medallist.

Having sat comfortably with the leaders through the early stages, Blake broke clear with just under two laps to go and soon had a clear gap on the chasing pair, but with 200m to go, the 26-year-old Arefyev raced back into contention and as the pair entered the home straight he pushed on to take the victory in 4:40.17 from Blake in 4:41:66.

"I thought I had him but my legs just gave up," admitted Blake. "I'd obviously have loved to win it and maybe I broke too soon, but silver is amazing and I'm really happy. I know I've got a lot more to give."

Blake now looks towards the 800m heats on Wednesday and the final on Thursday (27th) for which he has the fastest recorded time this season, although he will once again be up against the Russian.

His mother Kate said from their home in Charlton Down: "Arefyev is a very experienced athlete, and we thought he must be in good form because he did not post any times earlier in the season. But Paul is thrilled with the silver and looking forward to the challenge."

He competes in his third event, the 400m, on Friday (heats) and Saturday (final) for which he has the fourth fastest time in the world.

RUGBY ROUND-UP

WITH KEITH JENKIN

WEYMOUTH THROUGH TO VASE FINAL

LAST Saturday was devoted to playing league 'catch up' games, brought about by the recent snow and, coincidentally, both Dorchester and Bridport had to travel.

Weymouth, whose league fixtures were, more or less, up to date, headed off to Swindon to play a hastily arranged semi-final of the Dorset & Wilts Junior Vase.

SWINDON COLLEGE OLD BOYS 13pts, WEYMOUTH 15pts

THE visitors were the better of the sides during the first period, and possibly should have turned round with a bigger lead than the one they actually held.

One or two chances went begging however and, in the end, they had cause to be grateful to the boot of out half Peplow who kicked four penalty goals without reply to give them a 12-0 lead at the halfway stage.

The Old Boys staged something of a recovery during the third quarter, closing the gap by converting a couple of penalties of their own.

A fifth success by Peplow did something to restore Weymouth's cushion but, with less than ten minutes remaining, the home side took advantage of Weymouth's failure to clear danger, and got over for a try that they converted.

It was 'hats in the ring' now, with the scoreline standing at 13-15 and the College pressing for any score that would have given them the lead. Weymouth's defence held however and, although the home side had a chance to snatch the win, their penalty attempt went wide, leaving Weymouth with a place in the final, scheduled to take place on February 12th.

WINCANTON 12pts, WEYMOUTH 2nd 17pts

TWO first-half tries by influential centre Tom Bell, one of which was converted by Allen, gave the Weymouth second side a 12-0 interval lead against the league leaders.

Wincanton rallied in the second period however, and got back on terms with a couple of touchdowns of their own before Bellis hat-trick try took his side to a valued win that keeps them in touch with a promotion place.

OLDFIELD OLD BOYS 46pts, BRIDPORT 9pts

IT is a widely regarded fact that, when you are struggling, the fates tend to conspire against you.

Bridport are not having their best season and could have

done without the flu germ that struck down several of their squad late in the week.

In fact they travelled to Oldfield Old Boys, a side in the division's top flight, with a bare 15 bodies, players playing out of position, and with several 'coughers' in their ranks. They buckled down however, got stuck in and at times made what is a very useful home side, look distinctly ordinary.

They limited Oldfield to a 22-9 lead at the halfway stage, with stand in scrum-half, Wes Lewis, kicking all his side's points from the tee. Their defensive effort continued throughout the second period and, although the final scoreline signalled a pretty comprehensive defeat, Bridport returned feeling that they had 'done a job'.

In fact there was better news for the Bridport second side who, in spite of

the flu impact, managed the first win of their league campaign when they beat fellow strugglers Fordingbridge seconds 13-10. The win, important though it was, is not sufficient to lift them from the bottom of the Dorset & Wilts league division Two (South).

PUDDLETOWN 17pts, POOLE 25pts

THE adage 'flattered to deceive' springs very much to mind when describing Puddletown's contribution to this encounter.

They really could not have got off to a better start for, within a few minutes of the start they had taken the lead via a Scott Price unconverted try after the centre had been put clear by Musgrove, his out half.

Two further tries came in quick succession, the first through prop Jon Wilson who converted an overlap (what was he doing there?) after good work by lock Gordon.

The second was one for the back row union. The move was completed by Spicer, after being emanated by number eight Hill, with fellow flanker Boatswain providing the link. Musgrove converted this one and, with the score now standing at 17-0, Puddletown were away and clear.

They then seemed to lose a little in urgency and, although the remainder of the half remained scoreless, Poole began to get back into the game, as much due to home inertia as anything.

A Poole penalty goal early in the second period reduced the arrears, and a couple of tries, one of which was converted, really got the visitors 'in with a shout'.

Puddletown tried to reassert themselves but could not do so, and two late unconverted tries, the second in injury time, took the visitors to a win that, 40 minutes before, had seemed unlikely in the extreme and one that left Puddletown just a little frustrated.

FROME 21pts, DORCHESTER 13pts

LIKE Puddletown, Dorchester would have ended the day with the emotion of frustration being to the fore.

The pitch at Frome was barely fit for play, but the captains decided to take the field against the advice of the referee and it was Frome who exerted the early pressure.

This was rewarded with a converted try, scored by their pack from close range, but their lead was quickly reduced when full back Read gathered a speculative kick out of the Frome defence and ran it back. In fact the full-back galloped all of seventy yards and touched down in the corner for the try that remained unconverted.

Dorchester began to assume control, and they took the lead when Bament was up to gather an adroit chip by Hunt. He had the pace to get over out wide, and Dorchester led 10-7.

More was to come before the break, and Bament punished a Frome infringement by kicking a penalty goal to give his side a 13-7 interval lead.

The Dorchester faithful do believe that their side regularly switches off during the third quarter. I'm not sure if that is correct but, although they played most of this period in their opponents' territory, they came empty away.

Frome finally broke out and, from a ruck close to the Dorchester posts, their scrum-half wriggled over. The extras were duly added and the visitors found themselves trailing by a single point. Dorchester did try to rally and much of the final quarter action took place in the home twenty two.

Chasing a game does leave one vulnerable to the counter however, and a stray Dorchester pass did not go to hand and Frome took full advantage by running to the posts. The extras were duly added and the home side held on for the win that left Dorchester wondering.

Better news for the Dorchester second and third sides, with the seconds coming out on top in their game against the Wheatheaf Cabin Crew by 29-14 and the thirds beating their Salisbury counterparts 22-8.

PREVIEW

THE league programme, that is more or less unremitting for the rest of the season, continues on Saturday.

BRIDPORT travel to DEVIZES and this is a game that they must win if they are to pull away from the relegation area. They lost a high scoring encounter at the Brewery Field by a couple of scores, way back in October and, although their hosts lie just one place above them in the current table, they will consider themselves to be safe from the drop.

Bridport are something of a coach's nightmare at the moment, winning against Sherborne a couple of weeks ago, yet failing to turn up for the first half-hour last time out. Devizes are a workmanlike outfit and Bridport will have to play good rugby for the full 80 minutes if they are to win this one. Will they do so?

WEYMOUTH are also on the road. They travel to OAKMEDIAN'S 2nd and, having cruised the home fixture last autumn should certainly make it a double if they are at full strength.

DORCHESTER have what is, on paper anyway, the easiest fixture of the three. They entertain bottom club BRADFORD ON AVON, a side whom they drubbed by over 50 points in the away game. I certainly feel that a bonus point win is very much on the cards, even if they switch off for a few minutes mid-contest.

PUDDLETOWN for their part, make the short journey to take on bottom club BRIDPORT seconds who have just recorded their first win in the league this season. They beat Bridport 14-5 at home earlier in the piece and have been stringing a few results together in recent days, and should win this one.

The Bridport club has been beset by injuries throughout the autumn but their situation is now easing and Puddletown should beware. It will not be easy.

As to the second and third sides, both Dorchester teams are due to play at home and both face fairly straightforward games with the visit of Fordingbridge seconds and Oakmedians thirds.

Weymouth seconds entertain their Blandford counterparts and should come out on top in this one, having returned from Blandford with a comfortable win earlier in the season.

FIXTURES 29th January

Bridport v Devizes (away); Bridport 2nd v Puddletown (home); Chard v Imperial (away); Chard 2nd v Minehead Barbarians 2nd (home); Chard 3rd v No Game; Crewkerne v Tor 2nd (away); Dorchester v Bradford On Avon (home); Dorchester 2nd v Fordingbridge 2nd (home); Dorchester 3rd v Oakmedians 3rd (home); Honiton v Falmouth (home); Honiton 2nd v Exeter Saracens 2nd (away); Puddletown v Bridport 2nd (away); Sidmouth v Walcot Old Boys (home); Sidmouth 2nd v New Cross (away); Sidmouth 3rd v Tiverton (away); Sidmouth Colts v Pool Game; Weymouth v Oakmedians 2nd (away); Weymouth 2nd v Blandford 2nd (home).

Rugby extras
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BRIDPORT romped to victory as they ran in seven tries against a spirited Chard side. They will also be pleased not to have conceded any scores as Chard never gave up.

Bridport's running and handling was exemplary which led to many of their tries as the ball was moved from one side of the pitch to the other and back again.

The forwards were dominant in the tight and provided the Blues first try when a loose Chard clearance attempt was run back, with Tyler breaking through a number of tackles before off-loading, allowing Tom White finally to finally driving over to score.

From the kick-off Bridport forced a line out from which a training ground move put Dylan White into space at speed. When he was stopped Will Haggerty was in support to take the move on and dive over the line.

Eventual Man-of-the-Match Charlie Samways started the next try with a good run from a scrum on the half-way line,

which resulted in a try for Harry Richardson.

Oliver Bowen-Ashwin then scored when fed on the left and with little room for error darted along the touchline to score in the corner. Bob Lester-Card converted three of the tries for Bridport to go in 26-0 up at half time.

They continued doing the simple stuff well in the second half, and when Nat Halkes-Wellstead was stopped just short, the forwards in support, allowed Bowen-Ashwin to score who added another soon after a weaving run from Lester-Card who converted.

Debutant Tom started the move that ended with Toby James picking up and driving over, before the game was stopped midway through the half for a suspected neck injury, when it was considered wise not to move the injured player.

CUP fixtures for week beginning Monday, January 31st:

MENS PAIRS
2nd Round

Monday, January 31st

Bridport Football Club

B Robinson & K Readings; M Willcox & J Sellick; M Horton & D Horton; D Langridge & J Peach; J Cook & M Symonds; C Barnes & L Dare; Z Cauldwell & M Kershaw; D Fox & P Cross

West Dorset Club

C Wrixon & M Gurd; D Cooper & R Pincombe; M Huxter & N Gurd; C Dare & G Parsons; S Pitcher & A Cauldwell; L Farnham & S Gale; R

Wales & B Carlton; J Saint & D Alle.

Wednesday,
February 2nd
Bradpole Club

C Langdon & P Scott; B Pitcher & H Mills; K Sorrell & B Pye; D Way & D Mayo; C Willcox & M Chivers; B Chaple & partner; E Arnold & H Jones; M Gudge & D Gudge

Clock

D Maunder & D J Maunder; G Barnes & H Rathbone; A Paullay & R Frampton; F Bowditch & B Herbert; M Hooper & S Smith; R Paullay & J Smith; K Groves & R Norman; M Powell & S Lee.

Dorchester & District
Snooker League

Results as at January 23rd:

WDC Whipping Boys 5 Dorch Con Club A 4, Trinity Gooduns 3 West Dorset Club A 5, Colliton Hopefuls 1 Trinity Express 6, West Dorset Club C 5 Colliton Nimads 3.

30+ breaks: N.Joslin 35, D.Spiller 33. (Top break of the season: Evan Wellman 69)

Team Open Knockout Cup

Semi-Finals: West Dorset Club C 3 West Dorset Club A 4, Dorch Con Club A 2 Colliton Nomads 4.

Team Handicap Knockout Cup

Semi-Final draw: Colliton Nomads v Trinity Express (at Dorch Con Club), Purbeck Potters or Dorch Con Club A v West Dorset Club C (at Colliton Club - both ties scheduled for February 3rd).

REMINDER - 2011 BILLIARDS LEAGUE SEASON

The closing date for entries for the forthcoming billiards season has been extended until Saturday, February 5th.

Reminder - League results; Results must be with the secretary by 9am on the Sunday following the match, failure to do so will result in 2pt reduction.

| League table | P | W | D | L | Pts |
|--------------------------|----|----|---|---|-----|
| Colliton Nomads | 13 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 58 |
| West Dorset Club A | 11 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 51 |
| West Dorset Club C | 13 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 50 |
| Trinity Gooduns | 13 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 48 |
| Dorchester Con Club A .. | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 40 |
| Purbeck Potters | 10 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 39 |
| Trinity Express | 12 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 36 |
| Colliton Club B | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 34 |
| Colliton XQ 2010 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 31 |
| WDC Whipping Boys | 12 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 31 |
| Colliton Hopefuls | 9 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 24 |

Gorge A revival
continues

Shipton Gorge A 25 All Saints Weymouth 13

ALTHOUGH Paul Carter won all three games 3-2 to pick up nine points for the visitors the revival of the Gorge's fortunes in the Weymouth & District Table Tennis League continued with a 25-13 win over All Saints Weymouth.

Chris Glover recorded two 3-0 wins for his eight points and Richard Trim 3-0 and 3-1 wins for his eight. Gil Roberts, 2-3, 3-0 and 1-3 recorded a useful five and with Trim took the doubles 3-0.

Shipton Gorge B 28 Shipton Gorge C 13

AT the top of division 2 the two Shipton teams decided to give their reserves a chance to make an impression and it was the B team who made the most of it with a decisive 28-13 win.

Peter Green found his form at last with a nine point maximum, edging a tight five setter 3-2 over Gary Edwards (six points) before securing 3-0 wins over Daniel Trim (one) and Richard Hill (four).

Alan Woodbridge picked up another nine points for the B team with three 3-1 wins and David Poole was restricted to seven points after he went 2-0 up against Edwards before losing the next three and also lost 2-3 to Hill.

In the doubles Edwards and Hill went close for the C team but eventually went down 2-3.

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INSIDE: Weymouth RFC in Vase Cup Final

Rogers ready for the challenge

NEW Weymouth boss Martyn Rogers acknowledges there are some hard times ahead for the Terras but is determined to do everything he can to resurrect the club from its current position.

"Weymouth is a big club with bags of potential, and as an ex-player it is sad to see them suffer a couple of relegations, and I will do everything in my power to resurrect the club.

That starts by saving them from relegation."

The former Tiverton Town manager added: "At this moment in time we are not quite good enough. Weymouth are traditionally one of the big clubs and my remit is to save the club and regardless of what I change we all need to improve and pull together.

"I am going to be working closely with the chairman and we need to both back each other up if we are to

BY STUART BROOM

get out of this.

"Unfortunately from what I have seen so far the players are not quite good enough and winning the odd game is not acceptable; we need to be putting a run of games together if we are to improve.

"I have the experience to know what to change and need to do a bit of surgery to ensure we can do this. It started last week, as I need to put together a side capable of winning four or five games on the run. It will be tough but it needs to be done if we are to move away from the relegation area."

Reflecting on his new acquisitions Rogers said: "Tom Manley's situation is unfortunate; he's been offered a teaching course that will give him promotion, but means he cannot

play for the next ten Saturdays. He had a good game at Hemel Hempstead but obviously he needs to look to his future.

"As a result I have signed Nick Jordan from Crawley Town. I had to pull out all the stops as good players are difficult to find at this time of the season, but Nick will be with us initially for a month."

He has also signed his nephew Scott Rogers on non-contract terms from Newport County. The son of Martyn's brother, former Exeter City stalwart Peter, the midfielder has played more than 30 games in the Conference Premier league.

"He'll be a good asset. He's good in the dressing room and will lift the team."

Rogers has also signed Jamie Hatch, a winger he signed when at Tiverton, who again has come on non-contract terms.



■ YOUNG SEAHORSES: Weymouth RFC under 12s team pictured with coaches Nathan Parker, Lian Berry, Calum Guest, Stan Wyatt, Tim Glover, Dave Stone and Team Manager Sally Watts. **Photo by CHRIS DAVIS**

"He has bags of potential and knows what it is all about. He has good speed and can go past players."

Rogers had hoped to take charge of the team for the first time at Swindon Supermarine last Saturday, but the game was called off due to a

frozen pitch.

The new Terras boss said: "I say this a bit tongue in cheek but I wonder why it was postponed and so late. I know they had a couple of injuries and it's never easy playing a side with a new manager so perhaps it was convenient, and whilst there is

nothing better than playing a scheduled match to assess the players, it gives the new lads time to bed in and get to know the others, and me to work with them."

Weymouth were due to play Portland United in a friendly at the Bob Lucas Stadium on Tuesday night.

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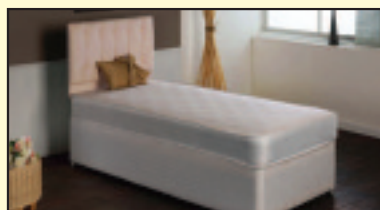
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